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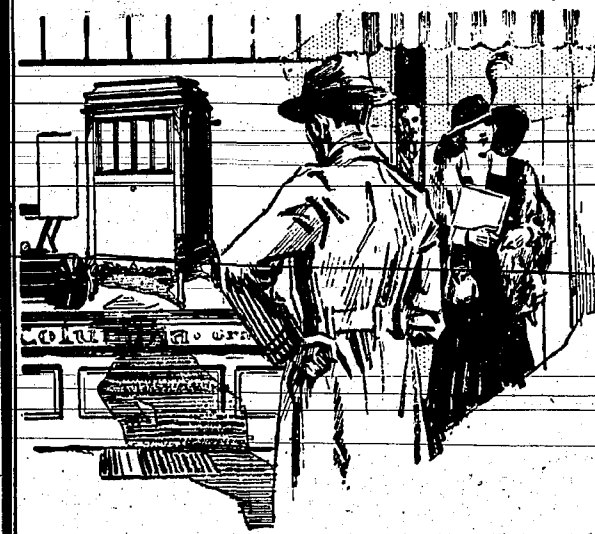
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School Notes

People read a great deal more than they used to do—but they think less. What we need is a call to independent thought.—Ibid.

HIGH SCHOOL.

The students in the beginning Latin class have already discovered that Latin is of great assistance in explaining the meanings of English words, and in classifying many difficult constructions in English grammar.

The fact that "next" and "niece" are written the same in shorthand is confusing to one member of the class. The sentence in characters reads, "His niece Jessie Bates had a chance to sing in the opera in Venice." Student read it, "His next Jessie," and complained that there wasn't any sense to it.

The Senior German class is reading "Germelshausen" a description of a vanished village as it appears to a young artist for a single night, his contact with its strange inhabitants and his feelings when he finally learns the mystery.

The prophecy that a bad beginning makes a good ending, is holding true with the Algebra III class, for they are doing finely with quadratics.

The eighth grade A class has finished its allotted work for the semester and has begun to review.

The music books for use in the High school room have arrived.

It was an easy matter to follow our players in the basket ball games Friday night for the scarlet middies of our girls and the splendid new suits of the boys could not be mistaken.

The Standish teams were completely outclassed, but as our team took it easy the scores were only—boys 41-6; girls 11-2. The boys' line-up was published last week and the girls' was as follows: Center, L. Hanson; S. C. L. McPherson; R. G. V. Fischer; L. G. G. Everett; R. F. F. Armstrong; L. P. M. Bates; Subs., L. Phelps, J. Karpus.

We wonder is there really cause for the extra practice that the Boys' team is putting in preparing for the game with the Ann Arbor team Friday night, or are they inclined to be pessimistic. At any rate they figure on a close game. Come out and see it.

WHAT IS MANY?

Man comes into this world without his consent, leaves it against his will. During his stay on earth his time is spent in one continuous round of misunderstandings and contrarities. In his infancy he is an angel; in his boyhood he is everything from a lizard up. In his duties he is a fool; if he raises a family he is a chump; if he raises a check he is a thief, and the law raises with him. If he is a poor man, he is a poor manager and has no sense; if he is rich he is dishonest, but is considered smart; if he is in politics, he is a grafter and a crook; if he is out of politics, you can't place him; he is an undesirable citizen; if he goes to church, he is a hypocrite; if he stays away from church, he is a sinner. If he donates to foreign missions, he does it for show; if he doesn't, he is a stingy old tight wad. When he first comes into the world, everybody wants to kiss him; before he goes out, everybody wants to kick him; if he dies young, there was a great future before him; if he lives to a ripe old age, he is in the way, only living to save funeral expenses.

Life is a funny thing after all, and yet life is made easy, when you live with a bright head, clear conscience, and die with a future reward.—From a dictation to the advanced Shortland class.

FIFTH GRADE—ALMA ROWE, TEACHER. Eleven children are absent from school on account of mumps and illness.

The making of salt maps has been of interest to the B class this week.

Special attention in the care of the skin, hair and nails in every day living, has found its way into our physiology class.

NOT ONLY ONE.

There Are Other Grayling People Similarly Situated.

Can there be any stronger proof offered than the evidence of Grayling residents? After you have read the following, quietly answer the question.

C. A. Travis, Chestnut St., Grayling, says: "I have used Doan's Kidney pills off and on for several years when I have needed a kidney remedy. When my kidneys have been weak, the kidney secretions have passed too frequently, making me get up often at night. I would have a catch thru the small of my back and my back would pain me. A box or so of Doan's kidney pills, procured at Olson's drug store, have never failed to cure me of the attack. I advise anyone to use Doan's if troubled with their kidneys." Price 60 cents, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Travis had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgs. Buffalo, N. Y.—Adv.

STANDISH WAS "DUCK SOUP" FOR GRAYLING PLAYERS.

Visitors Lacked in Team Work. Score 41 to 6.

Standish High school boys' and girls' basket ball teams played our school teams here Friday night of last week and the Graylingites were easy victors in each.

GIRLS' GAME.

At the close of the first half of the girls' game the score stood 11 to 2 in favor of Grayling. In the second half neither team was able to score. There was a lot of "pep" on the part of both teams and Grayling's offensive was specially good in the first half. Standish was strong on the defense.

BOYS' GAME.

The boys' game started out with lots of "pep" but it was some time before there were any field baskets made. Mielstrup and Chamberlain rung up a couple of free throws early in the period of the first half. Later Mielstrup and Thompson came across with field throws. After another free throw basket by Mielstrup, Standish drew a couple of free throws, ending the first quarter 7 to 2 in favor of Grayling.

Standish opened the scoring in the second quarter with a free throw. Mielstrup scored two points, and Chamberlain four points in the second quarter, while the visitors made another free throw. Score 13 to 4.

In the last half Grayling scored time after time from the field and also made two free throws. The Grayling scoring during game was as follows: Case 8 points; Mielstrup 21 points; Chamberlain 9 points; Thompson 4. Thruout the entire game Standish made but one field basket and that happened in closing period of the last half.

It was a clean game thruout and except for the one-sided score, was an interesting one, and much enjoyed by all who attended. While Grayling is lacking the star playing of Karpus this season, there is every appearance that the team on the whole is going to be a top-notch team and will win most of their games. If not all Mielstrup, Thompson and Case are veterans of last years team, and with their experience of that season and also at the State scholastic tournaments at Ypsilanti, where Grayling won the state championship for high schools of 200 or smaller, and at Ann Arbor where they were defeated the northwestern of Detroit, they are sure to make a still better showing this season than they did last season. Chamberlain is getting into the game in shape and Papendick, while still new at the game, has the stuff in him for a fast player. Grayling fans may well afford to back up their home team again this year with their hearty moral support as well as financial. Keep up the basket ball spirit in Grayling and we will always have winning teams. There is all kinds of confidence among the players yet there is no sign of "chestiness" or over confidence in the boys.

Mrs. Frank LaSprance Died.

The sudden death of Mrs. Frank LaSprance, which occurred at the family home in Bay City Friday evening of last week was a severe shock to the relatives and friends of the deceased. Mrs. LaSprance had been ailing for many years with heart trouble, and several times had severe attacks of this trouble, but at the time just before her death had seemed to be improving. In the afternoon of the day of her death she had been down town shopping and had eaten a hearty supper, and at about six-thirty o'clock passed away.

Mrs. LaSprance, and family moved from here about three years ago; the family were well known in Grayling, and the deceased had many intimate friends here, who join with the family in their grief. She was a kind and loving wife and mother and will be sadly missed in the home she loved so well.

The funeral services were held Monday morning with Requiem high mass at Visitation church, and the remains were laid to rest in St. Patrick's cemetery, Bay City.

The deceased leaves to mourn her sudden demise, her husband, one son Louis (Mose) LaSprance, of Camp Custer Battle Creek, and three daughters, Mrs. Ernest F. Woodburn of Jackson, Mrs. James Johnson, and Miss Irene LaSprance of Bay City. Those from out of the city who were in attendance at the funeral were: Mrs. Louis LaSprance of Crosswell, Louis LaSprance of Camp Custer, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest F. Woodburn and children of Jackson, Miss Jennie Ingley of Detroit, and Thomas Ingley, Misses Hattie Gierke, Nola and Odie Sheehy of Grayling.

Goodfellowship Club Notes.

The Goodfellowship club met with Mrs. Chas. Canfield on Monday evening, all but one member were present. Roll call—words commonly mispronounced.

Mrs. Bates read an interesting paper on Michigan's blind people and their work and workers for the blind.

An article on The Gary school system was read by Mrs. M. Hanson.

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Felt Slippers at \$1.50
Black kid Juliets at 2.25-\$2.50
Leather Moccasins 1.75 to \$2.75
Handkerchiefs, Fancy Collars, Leather purses—the trim tailored kind that women like so well—just the right size to fit your hand, 75c to \$2.00

A blouse represents the sum total of what a woman likes in a gift. Crepe de Chenes, in flesh and white, at \$4.50

FOR HIM---

Felt Slippers
Moccasins
Neckties
Handkerchiefs
Leather Romeo Slippers
Suspenders
Scarfs
Sweaters
Gloves
Hose Supporters
Silk Hose
Trench Caps

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The prettiest of all the gifts, so tiny they will almost go in baby's wee stocking. Little knitted sacques, almost like a doll's sacque and as dainty as they can be—white with pink and blue trimmings. They keep them very warm. Booties to put on their little feet, some almost seven league boots for they come right over their knees and keep them snug as can be—25c and 35c.

Handkerchiefs for Ladies—In fancy Silks and Crepe de Chenes, 25, 35 and 50c. Pure Linens in plain and fancies at 10, 25 and 35c. Fancy Muslin Handkerchiefs in all prices.

Handkerchiefs for Men—Cotton and Linen and Silk—10, 15, 25 and 50c each.

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Little Shopping Bags, Burnt Wood Boxes, Fancy Paste-board Boxes, all containing cute little Handkerchiefs.

Gloves for ladies' and gents'. Brown and gray kids, Suede and dressed.

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We have a complete line of fancy Ribbons, largest assortment ever seen in a town of this size—fine for bags of all kinds, misses' and children's bows for the hair, in fact we have what's newest among the ribbon craft novelties.

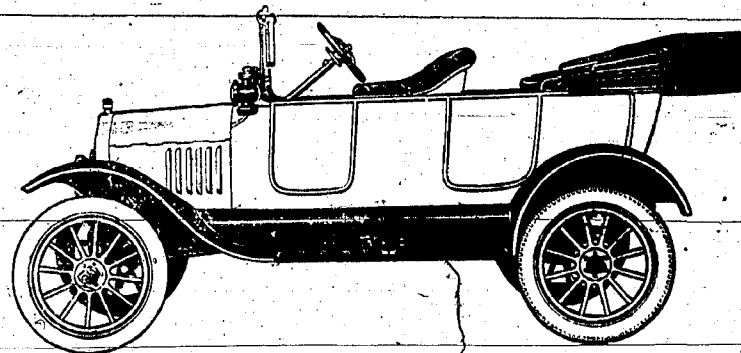
A Pretty Rest Robe for Mother—Mother would love a rest robe in lavender, Wistaria, in fact we have all colors.

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SOLDIERS NOT CLOTHED FOR COLD MICHIGAN WINTER, OFFICERS SAY.

PARKER NOW CAMP COMMANDER

Before Trip to France, From Where He Recently Returned, Parker Was in Command at Waco.

Lansing.

Admitting they have not received proper clothing to equip soldiers against the stinging weather which confronts them and will probably continue intermittently for the next four months, and expressing the belief that Custer will eventually become simply an assembling station for soldiers, camp officers are dejected over the prospects of properly training soldiers in this section of the country.

"It is useless for you fellows to tell the people of Michigan what a nice place Custer is in the winter," said an officer to the correspondents, "when hundreds of fathers and mothers and wives and sweethearts are right here today and can see for themselves, and while hundreds of the boys are writing letters home telling of true conditions."

"If you do that you only discredit yourselves and when you later attempt to deny some falsity regarding food wastage or shortage or something like that you will not be believed."

It was emphasized, however, that so far as hardening the men this climate would be satisfactory. But that is about all they would accomplish, say officers. While the men here are hardening, those in southern camps will be gaining proficiency in all the arts of soldierly.

That Custer will eventually become a camp for assembling men and perhaps giving them an elementary training in the months of even temperature, is the general belief here. Such a place is necessary, as it would not be practical to send men in small groups of 10 to 100 to distant training camps.

It such a course is adopted sufficient soldiers would be stationed here at all times to guard the camp, and in the summer months probably several thousand would be training.

Parker Now Custer Commander.

Major General James Parker, former commander of the Michigan and Wisconsin guards at Camp MacArthur, has been detailed to command Camp Custer.

A physical giant at 65, standing 5 feet 11 1/2 inches tall, powerful, firm, yet as gentle as a kitten, that in brief is a word picture of Maj. Gen. Parker. Looked upon as one of the most experienced officers in the United States army when he took command of the Michigan and Wisconsin guards in the summer, General Parker has recently added to his store of knowledge by going to France as an observer of modern warfare.

Next to his family, General Parker loves the army. Military parades and reviews, to which the public always is invited, are a habit with the general. He contends that the citizenry likes to see what the army is doing and says patriotism and loyalty to the military life are aided by these field maneuvers.

One of the things that endears officers to the general is his ability to make friends rapidly. There is no person to whom he will not talk. He always has time to listen to a man with a good argument and he is willing to give a moment to any soldier who thinks he cannot get justice with out going to the commanding general. He has been in the army since 1876.

Percentage of Rejections High.

Figures compiled at the office of the surgeon of the Eighty-fifth division show that nearly 15 per cent of the selected men sent to Camp Custer in the last contingent will be rejected because of physical defects.

These figures must not be taken to indicate that the rejected men are invalids or in most cases incapacitated from performing such labor as they may select, but they do sharply define that only the most perfect specimens of manhood will be trained for overseas duties in the first divisions.

A percentage of these men sent home will later be called to the colors either because they take measures to remedy the defects which barred them at this time, or because the standard will be lowered when the pick of the country has been taken.

Many of the men require minor operations only to perfect them for service, but only in rare cases are these being performed by surgeons here. Many of the larger hospitals of the country are performing the operations free.

M. A. C. Students Healthy Lot.

Eighty-six per cent of the masculine members of the freshman and sophomore classes of the Michigan Agricultural college are physically fit, the department of military science and tactics of the college has learned.

Of 385 men who came up for inspection, only 51 failed to pass the army tests, and the greater number of these were for faulty eyesight and hearing and flat feet. The 14 per cent is in marked contrast to the 40 and 45 rejected by local examining boards.

Fewer Deserters Brought In.

Fewer "deserters" have been brought to Camp Custer since the change in the manner of paying the \$50 reward for the arrest of deserters has been made to conform to a new ruling by the judge advocate general of the army. Before any money is now paid it is necessary to take the alleged deserter before his district board for certain identification and the expense of bringing the man to camp must be borne by the custodian. This has cooled detective ardor.

Farmers Promise to Help Win War.

The delegates to the State Association of Farmers' clubs, who attended the meeting at Lansing last week, pledged complete support of the farm administration's programs, including food conservation and increased acreage.

A number of speakers severely scored the farmers for the part they have thus far taken in war preparations.

George W. McCormick, of Minn. minee, head of the sugar plant there, and a member of the food preparedness committee, told of the arguments he and others had met with last spring when trying to convince farmers to increase acreage.

"I hope that the man or men who run that campaign next year will not have to hear from the farmers the two cries we heard—shortage of labor for harvest and an uncertain price," said Mr. McCormick. "Put in the crops, and we will see to it somehow that they are harvested. And you must, we all must, stop this silly talk about how much we are going to get for things. A man after this war is over will not be measured by dollars and cents, but by the service he has rendered to his country."

Governor Sleeper, Rep. Orlo J. Price of Lansing, and President R. S. Will, of the State University, all called particular attention to some charge which had been made against the rural citizen for his alleged "slackness" in war assistance.

Then the delegates turned in and pledged their unwavering loyalty to the government.

Selects Will Get Commissions.

As Camp Custer progresses, the fact becomes more evident that several hundred men who came to the cantonment as selected soldiers will emerge as commissioned officers and that efficiency will be otherwise rewarded throughout the Eighty-fifth division.

Each company and battery commander has a man or two whom he has recommended for the third officers' training camp, which will be opened at Camp Custer early next month, on the plan followed at Plattsburg, Fort Sheridan, and other officers' camps. There are scores of men in camp who either attended Fort Sheridan and failed to land commissions or who were candidates and, for one reason or another, failed to be ordered to the school.

Announcement is also made that men graduated from colleges—teaching, engineering or of special technical schools, will be allowed to shake their "rockie" uniforms for officers' togery, soon after the first of the year. An examination has been arranged for January 21, to which technical graduates are eligible and the winners will be at once commissioned second lieutenants in the engineering corps.

Y. M. C. A. Popular Spot at Custer.

The second monthly report of the army Y. M. C. A. in Camp Custer demonstrates in figures the place which this organization holds in the daily life of the 25,000 recruits who call this home. No mere report can tell of the place which the army "Y" holds in the hearts of the men, of the unnumbered kindnesses which it performs and of the value of the home atmosphere which it fosters and preserves. But the Y. M. C. A. executive board feels that it owes the public an accounting of its stewardship and has arranged to render monthly accounts of its activities.

During November the estimated attendance in all huts was 548,170. There were 23 lectures, attended by 6,444. At 97 educational classes 6,361 were present.

Three educational clubs were formed and 3,282 books were loaned. At the different athletic exercises there were on hand 16,441. In all, 55 religious meetings were held with an attendance of 14,723. At 74 bible classes 2,226 were present. Secretaries distributed 1,656 copies of the scriptures, while there were 912 personal Christian interviews. From these talks 259 Christian decisions resulted.

At the 47 entertainments, 18,321 were cared for. To the 77 movie shows were attracted 40,866. In the auditorium were held eight religious meetings, with an attendance of 7,700, while 7,873 attended 10 social entertainments. The secretaries sold \$45,589 in money orders and 551,701 letters were written.

CAMP CUSTER NOTES

The new concrete road to Battle Creek was opened a few days ago. It cuts the time of the trip from a half-hour to 15 minutes and eliminates a very rough journey.

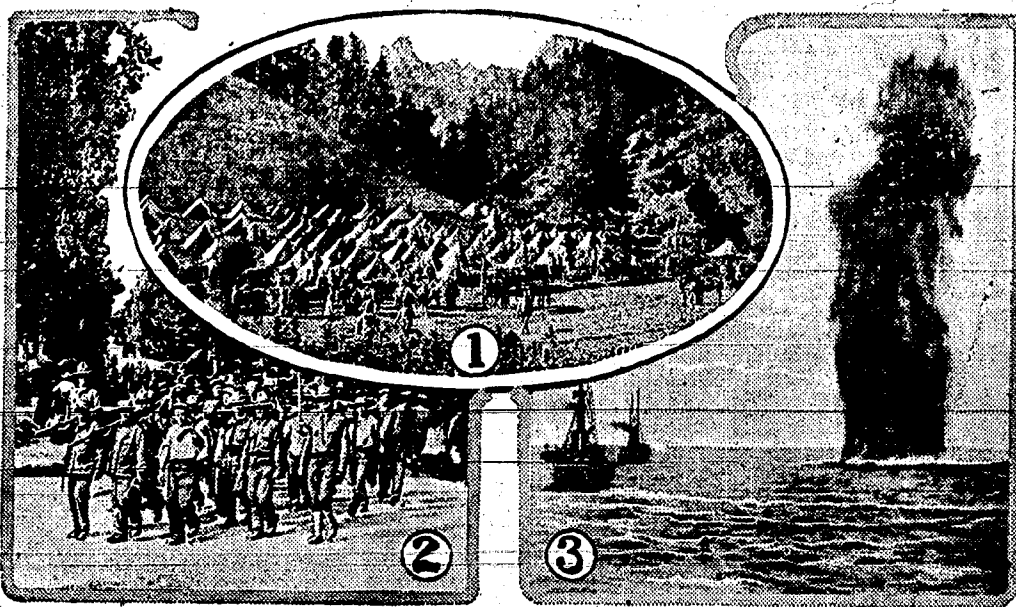
Rudolph J. Forejt, Detroit private in the 339th regiment, who committed suicide, insured himself two days before for \$10,000. There is no suicide clause in the soldiers' insurance policy. His widow will receive compensation monthly for 20 years allowed by the government.

It is an interesting fact that most of the "objectors" to military service come to camp with the national colors in their coat lapels.

A perfectly equipped wireless station, powerful enough to talk with Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Tex., has been erected at Custer. It will be for experimental purposes only. An entire battalion of signal men, including one radio company, one wire company and an outpost company, composed almost entirely of technical men, is training at camp under command of Major Dalley.

By order of Secretary of War Baker second lieutenants hereafter will have special insignia to distinguish them from enlisted men. He has ordered them to wear single gold bars for the shoulders and one strand of brown braid for the overcoat sleeves.

Rumor is again stirring and on an old topic. The story is that a southern training camp is soon to be deserted by a national guard division and that the 88th will be sent down to train in its place. There is no known foundation for the rumor and the probabilities are that it is untrue.



1—Camp of the Italian Alpine in the Carnic Alps where the Austro-Germans were held in check for a day. 2—American army engineers, some of whom have been taking part in the battle of Cambrai, leaving their camp for building operations. 3—British trawlers exploding a German sea mine.

NEWS REVIEW OF THE PAST WEEK

President's Message Declaring America in War to Finish, Hailed With Joy.

ADDS AUSTRIA TO OUR FOES

Progress of Russia's Efforts for Armistice—Germans Sacrifice Men Recklessly in Furious Attacks in France and Italy—American Troops to Be Rushed Across.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD.

The United States is in the war to the finish—and that finish must be the overthrow of the Prussian military despotism, the liberation and restoration of the peoples it has enslaved and reparation for the material damage its armies have done. When this is assured, the United States will insist on a peace that is based on justice and equity to all alike, excluding all selfish claims to advantage even on the part of the victors. Meanwhile, Austria-Hungary must be formally declared our foe in the war, and "war present and immediate tasks" to win that war.

Such in a few words is the message of President Wilson to congress, to America, and especially to the world. He leaves no doubt of the government's and the nation's humanitarian aims, and he makes equally plain the determination never to make peace with the present rulers of Germany who have done such "deep and abominable wrong." The president expressly disavows any intention to impair or rearrange the Austro-Hungarian empire, but says that to the independent control of their own affairs, and avers that the Balkan states and Turkey should be secured against foreign oppression or injustice. Mr. Wilson's polished diction does not conceal his contempt for the pacifists, the traitors and others who seek to hamper the nation in the prosecution of the war. When everyone else within sound of his voice arose and cheered the president's impassioned statements, Senator La Follette, Representative Mason and one or two more skilled sinners in their seats. They are easily classed.

Message Warmly Approved.

Instant approval of the message was general throughout the United States, and it received the hearty endorsement of the British and South American press, though some of the London papers, notably the Times, are skeptical about the distinction the president still makes between the German rulers and the German people. It must be confessed a great many Americans also feel the German people are not so guiltless as Mr. Wilson represents them.

Congress lost little time in starting proceedings for formal declaration of war against Austria-Hungary, and government agents throughout the country at once began preparing to handle the million and a half enemy aliens which it adds to the list. As tens of thousands of Austro-Hungarians have been employed in the mines of America, there is danger of a serious shortage of mine labor. It is likely a good deal of discrimination will be used in dealing with such subjects of the "dual monarchy," as the Bohemians and various Slav races, who have no sympathy with the autocracy of their rulers.

Bolshevik Peace Efforts.

The efforts of the Russian bolshevik to bring about a general cessation of fighting was not markedly successful last week. Large numbers of Russian troops were withdrawn from the front lines, and Austro-Hungary formally approved of the armistice plan; but when the representatives of the Russians began discussion of details with the Germans they met with a quick check. Their first two stipulations were that the enemy should not undertake to send forces from the Russian front to the front of Russia's allies, and that the German detachments should be withdrawn from

the islands of Moon sound. To this the German delegates replied evasively, merely promising to consult their government.

On Thursday Berlin announced that a suspension of hostilities along the entire Russian front for ten days beginning Friday noon had been arranged. The same day Trotsky declared the Russian government did not want a separate peace.

There were reports, which, however, were emphatically denied, that Rumania desired to open negotiations for an armistice. If their flank on the north were left unprotected by the quitting of the Russians, the Rumanian forces between the Dniester and the Black sea would be in extreme peril. Members of the Red Cross mission of Rumania have just brought to President Wilson a message from King Ferdinand declaring his country would never make a separate peace.

Ensign Krynlenko is now in control of much of the Russian army, his men having captured the headquarters at Mohilev and murdered General Dukonin, former commander in chief. At last reports General Kaledines' Cossacks were marching on Vitebsk and a battle with Krynlenko's forces was impending. Most of the Russian diplomatic representatives in allied countries and the Russian troops in France have disowned the doings of the bolshevik leaders and refuse to recognize their authority.

Germans Try Hard for Big Victory.

It is evident that the German high command is trying desperately to obtain a decisive military victory in France or Italy, or both, before the American army gets across in sufficient force to be effective. So far the result achieved by the enemy has been the gain of a few rods of ground at an appalling cost in loss of life. The fighting in the Cambrai sector developed into the bloodiest and fiercest battle of the war, and despite the bringing up of great numbers of Germany's best troops, the British in the main repulsed the repeated mass attacks and held most of the ground gained the previous week. If they continue to hang on to his positions, the battle will prove the best thing the British could ask for, for it has brought the Germans "out of their holes" and not only shown them up as inferior in open fighting, but cost them an enormous number of their most valuable men. The reckless sacrifices made by Crown Prince Rupprecht contrast strangely with the information that Germany is training boys of fifteen and sixteen to take their places soon in the fighting lines.

America has cause for pride and satisfaction in the reports that come of the part in the Cambrai fighting taken by American engineers. Caught by a sudden advance of the Germans, these men took shelter until the British came up to them, and then, borrowing guns, went into the fray with a gallantry and coolness that won high praise from the commanding officers of the British. A few of them were killed and wounded, but the others went right on with their fighting, patrolling and railroad building.

Fierce Fighting in Italy.

Along the Italian front the fighting has been little less fierce than at Cambrai, and as the week closed the Austro-Germans were making their second great offensive there. In the initial attack by largely increased forces the enemy compelled the Italians to withdraw from some advanced positions between Monte Tonderear and Monte Badeneche, but elsewhere the violent assaults were repulsed. If the invaders succeed in that sector, in flanking the Piave and Brenta lines, the most important German line as far as the Adige. However, the Italian commander seemed quite confident he could prevent this, and his forces were gallantly guarding the entire line while French reinforcements continued to arrive. Among the allies in action on this front are a number of American aviators, and the declaration of war against Austria-Hungary seems to make sure the speedy dispatching of a considerable force of American soldiers to re-enforce the Italians. At any rate that is what Italy expects, and the entire country celebrated joyously the news that its chief foe was to be included in the enemies of the United States.

U. S. Troops to Be Rushed Over.

One of the main subjects discussed in the interallied conference in Paris was the best means of getting American troops to France as rapidly as possible and supplying them with munitions and food. To release as much tonnage as may be for the purpose of carrying the American soldiers an international organization was created that will co-ordinate the utilization of transport facilities, somewhat restricting the imports of the various nations. It may be that a considerable part of the supplies for the American army will be obtained from England and France in order to save time.

China May Send an Army.

Before very long yet another national army may be fighting beside the allies in France against Germany. It is reported that a large force from China is to be brought to the western front, probably under the command of General Yeng-Chang, chief general adjutant to the Chinese president. For a long time many thousands of Chinese have been working behind the lines in France, and doubtless the well-trained and equipped armed forces of the Oriental republic also will be welcome there.

Examined General Allenby Sent Word.

That he was in a position to enter Jerusalem at any time he saw fit, but was continuing an enveloping movement to the north of the Holy City.

Equally satisfactory is the news from East Africa, the British commander there reporting that the last Germans had been cleared from that vast region. All who were not killed or captured had fled to Portuguese territory, where they would soon be attended to, he said. Thus Germany has been stripped of the last of her colonies.

Interallied Naval Council.

An important decision of the council in Paris was to create an interallied naval council in order to close contact and complete co-operation between the navies of the allies. The council will be composed of the ministers of marine and admiralty chiefs of the nations represented. The warfare on the submarines is proceeding satisfactorily, but the last British admiralty report shows the toll of the U-boats is still high. 10 British vessels of more than 1,000 tons and five others having been sunk in the week. Among the losses torpedoed was the steamer Appan, 80 passengers and the crew perishing. The submarine shells of the vessel's open boats were filled with women and children.

War Stamps on Sale.

The sale of war savings stamps and certificates, America's newest plan for raising war funds and encouraging thrift, began on Monday, and was taken up by the entire country with an enthusiasm that presages its complete success. The campaign will continue for one year, and it is believed the maximum sum authorized—\$200,000,000—will be obtained without trouble.

Interstate Commerce Commission.

The interstate commerce commission having recommended the nationalization of the railroads during the continuation of the war, the president and his aids took up the matter last week, and Mr. Wilson was expected soon to send to congress a special message on the subject. The administration conceded that the roads must be given liberal financial aid and a plan may be evolved for their operation under a government director of transportation.

Most Terrible of the Many Disasters Incident to the War Began.

The most terrible of the many disasters incident to the war began last night, N. S., on Thursday, when the French munition ship Mont Blanc exploded in the harbor after being rammed by a Belgian relief vessel. Some 3,000 persons were killed, many thousands injured and a considerable part of the city and its suburbs wrecked by the awful blast.

Plies, knit goods, electrical apparatus and supplies, chemicals and trucks and motor vehicles.

It was found that firms expanding their operating forces and firms laying off employees frequently were in the same industry.

Other Industries which are alleged to be curtailing their forces because the public is buying less of their products include factories making fine kid gloves, fancy sweaters, brooms and brushes, typewriters and high-grade woodwork.

SCANDINAVIAN NEWS

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT HAPPENINGS IN FAR OFF NORTHLAND.

ITEMS FROM THE OLD HOME

Resume of the Most Important Events in Sweden, Norway and Denmark—Of Interest to the Scandinavians in America.

FINLAND.

Finland's native crops for the year have failed. All hope of relief from Russia has been lost. Fifty thousand tons of wheat and rye contracted and paid for in the United States and Canada last spring have been commandeered for France. America is Finland's only hope. Dr. Kaarlo Ignatius, special commissioner from that country, is in Washington appealing to officials in the cause of humanity to release to his government the 50,000 tons of supplies purchased before the food law was enacted, but commandeered by Food Administrator Herbert C. Hoover for the allied armies in France. After weeks of negotiations with Administrator Hoover and the war-trade board, Dr. Ignatius has failed to accomplish his purpose. He has Ambassador Bakmeteff of Russia aiding him, and also the sympathy of the British government. "I am going to keep up the fight," Dr. Ignatius said. "Already our people are starving. If I must, I will appeal to your president, who has declared to all the world that America is fighting in this war for the preservation of the rights of all nations, small as well as great. I do hope that the United States, the first nation in the world standing up for the rights of mankind and nations, will save us in this critical hour. Our government foresaw a food shortage last spring and placed orders in the United States and Canada for 50,000 tons of grain. After placing these orders we could not get a license from the interallied supply committee in Petrograd to import these supplies. The committee said Finland could get all the wheat it needed from Russia. Thereupon our government paid 60,000,000 Finnish marks to the Russian government, which had taken over all food supplies of the country. Russia guaranteed to make deliveries of wheat to our country in August and September. Then came the revolution and Finland got nothing from Russia, not even her money back. Besides the revolution, transportation conditions make it impossible to get supplies from Russia."

The general strike in Finland was approaching a crisis Wednesday, according to a Reuters dispatch from Helsinki on that date. Excesses are reported especially in south Finland, where about 25 men of the property class have been murdered. The socialists are armed with military rifles and further excesses are feared.

NORWAY.

The Christiania Morgenbladet has shown a strong pro-American bias since the entrance of the United States into the war. In a leading editorial it says: "America is now the focus of war preparations. The experiences of three years' war on all fronts are being profitably assimilated, and the most systematic military training is being practiced under French and English officers. Special commissions from Europe superintend the manufacture of all that is needed by sea, by land, and in the air. Ammunition making is being driven on with unheard of intensity, standardization of air machines, experiment with new weapons, new technical inventions in every field. If there is any place where we can learn things, it is in America today. Norway's naval and military attaches should be at once sent to America. In the future Norway will have to obtain more of her war material from the United States, and it is very important to strengthen our legation in Washington."

Belgian Minister Iken, in his speech in the storting, told how England had not only annulled the so-called branch agreement with Norway, but had suspended all such agreements.

A Hutchinson, Minn., produce company has received an order for butter from Capt. Rold Amundsen, the great Norwegian explorer, who is outfitting a ship for another expedition to unexplored regions in arctic waters. All provisions on such trips must be of the highest grade. It is because of the reputation for the keeping qualities of Hutchinson butter that the company gets the order, and for the same reason your year after the company receives a contract for a large amount of butter from the United States government for the navy, this year's contract being for 50 tons.

Oddmund Vik has resigned as food minister. The storting voted down a motion designed to force the resignation of the whole cabinet. Mr. Vik held his position a little over a year. For several months past he has been severely criticized on account of alleged mistakes in his food administration. Mr. Vik spent the early part of his life in educational work, and later became a journalist. He served several terms in the storting, and at the time of his appointment to the cabinet was governor of Tromsland.

White grouse are not numerous this year, especially in the eastern part of the country. But the hunters report that hares are plentiful. On account of the meat famine many moose and reindeer have been killed this fall.

While a plenisher was eating his lunch a few Sundays ago at Varingskollen, near Christiania, a hare jumped right into his lap. The man had presence of mind enough to catch the animal, but seeing how desperately scared the hare was he let him go again.

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To get food for the horses, the Swedish population has started to harvest the heather, which grows abundantly in some parts of Sweden. They cut off and dry the tops. Experiments have proven that it has almost the same nutritive value as hay. A kind of flour also has been prepared from the heather, and it has been used for baking purposes. Coffee is now prepared of everything except coffee beans. Roots of the dandelion are used. Coffee is highly appreciated. The match factories operate with spars from Sweden, not from Russia.

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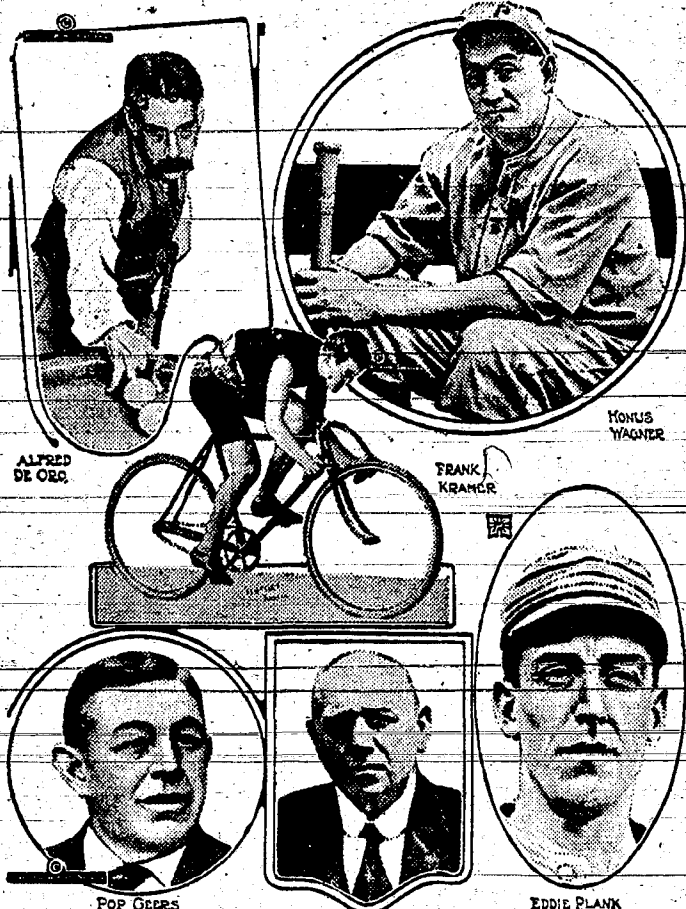
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Haldan, Ditlev Simonsen & Co. ship owners in Christiania, have organized a new shipping company with a capital of at least \$500,000 for the purpose of co-operating with a well-known American firm of ship owners after the war. Rented ships will be used at first; but after the war it is expected that the cost of building new ships will be reduced to such an extent that the company can afford to order new ships built. The name of the company is to be the Norwegian-American Shipping company.

SWEDEN.

There are now hundreds and hundreds of homeless Stockholm families who cannot afford the rental required for any kind of a home. In proportion to the population, Stockholm has an extraordinary number of hotels, established particularly to meet the tourist stream in summer. It is now often impossible to get a hotel room in Stockholm. The guests are placed in bath-rooms, office rooms, even in large wardrobes, so as not to be forced to spend the night in the street, and it happens that even as many as four persons, all strangers to each other, sleep in the same room. Still worse is the scarcity of house rooms and tenements. At the end of September those applying for rooms and tenements in Stockholm numbered 1,930, and the corresponding opportunities were 232. In order to assist the homeless families temporarily, the housing commission has opened several school-houses for them, and the Swedish Red Cross has assisted with equipment. The commission has also offered premiums to those families, willing to house the homeless in their own apartments. Even the attics and basements are used for lodging. The scarcity of coal in Sweden affects all industries, all branches of communication and home life. Many passenger boats and trains have been withdrawn, with the result that those still running are overcrowded with people. A sleeping car ticket must be ordered at least a fortnight before the journey. The illumination of trains and railway stations

VETERANS COME BACK TO TAKE PLACES VACATED BY YOUNGSTERS GONE TO WAR



SOME OLD-TIMERS WHO LONG BATTLED OLD FATHER TIME.

The law that—"Youth will be served!"—Has been repealed.

War did it; war and the vigor of some sport veterans.

While youth is serving in the war the veterans will be given the chance of their lives to come back—in every line of sport, baseball, football, tennis, golf, racing, walking, swimming, wrestling, boxing.

No, you needn't laugh at their making good. There is a lot of old-time stuff left in many a "veteran" of the sport world.

"They used to be called 'has-beens'."

But a lot of them are not through. Bob Fitzsimmons' death called attention to the old-timers still in the going. Bob, you remember, was swinging the gloves right up to the time when the grim reaper knocked at the door.

Plank Coming Back. Just the other day Eddie Plank said he was going to stage a comeback stunt in baseball next season. He won't be the only old fellow still looking at the fast ones coming from the pitcher's hand. Huns Wagner tried to retire at forty-three, but the slipping Pirates called him back. Larry La-

Jole, at forty-two, is a star in the minors. Probably the oldest vet in sport is Joe Hildebrand of Wausau, Wis., crack trapshooter, and he is only ninety-two years old. N. D. Towns of Los Angeles, Cal., nicknamed "44 straight targets on his eighty-first birthday."

Other Old Timers. Edward Fawcett, near the eighty-year mark, is hunting for walking rivals. Laurence Waterbury, over forty, can put it over many a youthful polo player. Travis was over fifty-five when he took the golf championship. And the likes are well acquainted with good golfers who long ago kissed their fortieth birthday goodbye. Frank Kramer carries many years around the track, and beats young fellows across the tape. Alfred De Cser tackled another mile in his third time the other day, and De Cser has seen some sixty summers.

And don't forget how ancient "Pop" Beers is driving winners on the track. So get back into trim, old timers. Here's another opportunity for you to show what you can do. Maybe you can beat a few records these young fellows have been crowing over the last few years.

BOXERS SLOW IN ENLISTING

Jess Willard and Benny Leonard Say They Are Ready, but Enthusiasm Not Overpowering.

Football, track, swimming, rowing and other athletic stars from practically every college in the country, together with boxers, golfers, swim-



Champion Jess Willard.

mers and boxers are included in the long list of athletes who will make up the new army, but boxing is perhaps the laggard of all in the matter of coming to the front with enlistments. Of the many well-known boxers in this country, Jack Dillon and Willie Ritchie are practically the only two who have world-wide reputations to enlist. Benny Leonard, Jess Willard, and others have announced that they are ready at any time, but their enthusiasm has not been as ardent as that of some other athletes.

LIBERTY GOLF TOURNA- MENT PAID HANDSOMELY

Proceeds of the liberty golf tournaments, conducted by the United States Golf association during the summer for the benefit of the Red Cross were \$72,375. It was announced at New York by the association. On the independence day 485 clubs, representing every state in the Union, with the exception of Idaho, Nevada, New Mexico and Oregon, held competitions for the Red Cross, the announcement said. The Allegheny Country club, near Pittsburgh, led all others in money raised with \$4,260, while the Columbia Country club, near Washington, D. C., was next with \$2,089. The Apawamis club of Rye, N. Y., and the Country club of Detroit were next with \$1,000 each.

Canadian Hockey Outlook. Canadian professional hockey outlook appears slim this winter.

BIG LEAGUE CLUBS AIM TO RETRENCH

Training Operations to Be Conducted on Very Modest Scale.

From present indications spring training operations of the 16 major league ball clubs will be conducted on a very modest scale in 1918.

The heavy expense of taking a big squad of ball players to the sunny Southland has caused talk of curtailments along this line for several years, but because of the hard knocks baseball has taken in a financial way and the uncertainties of what the future holds for the game owing to the world war, there is little chance that the club owners will be ready to spend money lavishly next spring.

A forerunner of the retrenchment policies of major league-owners was found in the draft last September, when the major league clubs drafted fewer players than for the past ten years. The Chicago White Sox, for instance, did not draft a single player. Neither did the Pittsburgh Pirates. Several other clubs drafted only one or two men, and before spring training time arrives next March there is a chance that some of the drafted players will be turned back.

The annual report of the national commission, showing the players purchased from the minor leagues by major league clubs between the dates of the 1916 and 1917 drafts, showed a total of 127 players who were taken by the big leagues under approved agreements, other than optional contracts. In this list the Boston Red Sox did not obtain a single player by the purchase route, while the Boston Braves got but one. The drafted players totaled 38.

Of whom were drafted by American league clubs and 21 by clubs in the National league.

In all the major leagues secured a total of 100 players, including both those purchased for trial and those drafted. Of this number it is said that not more than 50 per cent will be taken South next spring.

UMPIRE NEVER PLAYED GAME

Connolly Is Violation of Every Qualification That Goes to Make Capable Official.

Tom Connolly, the dean of the American league staffs, is one of the ablest arbiters in America, yet he is a violation of every qualification that goes to make a capable official.

In the first place, Connolly never played a game of ball in his life. Not



Umpire Tom Connolly.

only that, but he was almost an adult before he ever knew there was such a game as baseball. Yet, by diligent study and close application, he succeeded where scores of men born in baseball and boasting of illustrious careers as fast-set players failed.

Connolly was born in Manchester, England, and came to America in 1884. Just about the time Grover Cleveland was elected to the presidency for the first time, Tom settled in Natick, Mass., where he still has a home, and went to work in a shoe factory.

Eight years after his arrival he was umpiring semi-professional games in Natick.

Aid in Enlisting. Jimmy Clabby and many other Americans now in Australia have signified their intention to the American consul general in Sydney of enlisting men required or called upon to do so. They are keenly interested in America's part in the great struggle.

Abolition of Trick Deliveries. Connie Mack favors the abolition of all trick deliveries, such as the "shine" ball and the "spit" ball. He says the batters didn't need tampered with, that hasn't been tampered with.

Captain O'Hare to Control Camp Sports

Capt. Joseph J. O'Hare, former West Point football player, who has been chief aide to Brig. Gen. John A. Johnston, commander of the department of the Northeast, has been appointed assistant chief of staff, to have charge of athletics at camp under the department's jurisdiction. Captain O'Hare was graduated last year.

Lloyd Rickart Resigns. Lloyd Rickart, former Federal league official, has quit his job as secretary of the Toledo club, and will be succeeded by Phil Bresnahan, brother of Manager Roger.

Funds for Red Cross. The University of Minnesota will donate its share of the net proceeds from intercollegiate sports until August 1, 1918, to the Red Cross fund.

NEW CRAFTSMAN TYPE BUNGALOW

Many Persons Attracted by the Spirit of Rough Timber Construction.

BRINGS OUT BEAUTY OF WOOD

Modern Methods of Treating by Use of Preservatives and Stains Adds Life and Helps Looks of Material.

Mr. William A. Radford will answer questions and give advice FREE OF COST on all subjects pertaining to the subject of building, for the readers of this paper. On account of his wide experience as Editor, Author and Manufacturer, he is, without doubt, the highest authority on all these subjects. Address all inquiries to William A. Radford, No. 187 Prairie avenue, Chicago, Ill., and only enclose two-cent stamp for reply.

By WILLIAM A. RADFORD. There are many people who are attracted by the spirit of rough timber construction in house design. The style is one which has been extensively used for club houses, summer houses, resorts and other buildings requiring a suggestion of rustic appearance. Its application to house construction came about in the establishment of the craftsman-type bungalow. This is another example of the adaptability of the bungalow to a diversity of styles in architectural treatment.

One of the developments which have contributed to the success of this use of exposed timbers and rough lumber is the perfection of stains which are

sufficiently preserving to keep the wood in good condition over a long period and yet produce a finish which does not destroy the natural physical characteristics of the wood. The style applied in the true sense, conceals nothing. The natural beauty of the wood is utilized on the exterior as well as within the building. Supporting members are usually made oversize to bring out the desired proportions. Straight lines predominate in every part of the structure. There are few cuts made in any part of the woodwork which cannot be done with an ordinary hand saw. The ornamentation is not elaborate, in the sense that methods are employed to incorporate

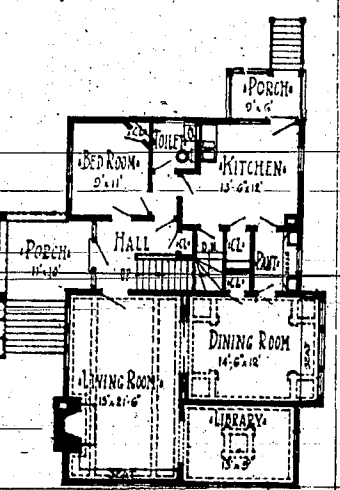
extensively or otherwise. In the same line of thought, the wash of the windows may be finished white, which has a very decided brightening effect. The third method consists in the proper design of and selection of material for the chimneys. There is nearly always an outside chimney in the design of such a house. Properly designed and built of just the right sort of materials, this outside chimney may be made to bring into the design all of the bright color that is needed.

The house shown in the accompanying perspective view and plan embodies some of the principal characteristics of this style and presents some other ideas in building that are later



In the design features which have a place only as ornaments—the necessary structural parts of the building are so proportioned and grouped together that it is unnecessary to devise any artificial means of making the building beautiful. Beauty is inherent in the building—"under the skin."

Naturally this sort of building is constructed almost entirely of wood. There are several forms of this material which may be used and necessity requires the use of some of the other materials for parts such as the chimneys and foundations, so that the



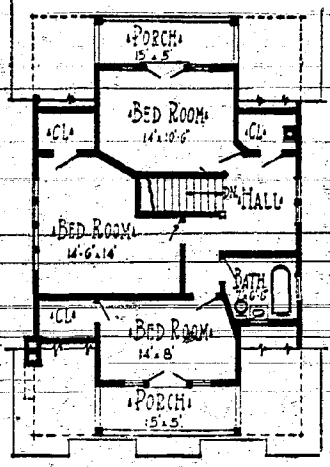
First-Floor Plan.

style is not without the possibility of variation to please individual taste. Shingles are an excellent form of material to use on the walls of such a building. Present developments have supplied the home builder with shingles which, by a manufacturing process, are treated with a preservative preparation and then carefully stained in several different colors. The life of the shingle is very much extended by this process. Shingles so treated are obtainable in sizes larger than the ordinary shingle and may be had with extra heavy butts and extra length so that a wide exposure to the weather may be given them on the walls of the house, to furnish variation with the surface of the roof.

Another possibility in the finish of the walls of the building is found in the use of rough beveled siding or clapboards. This siding may be obtained in various widths and considerable change in appearance is made possible by variations in this respect. The siding is stained in the finishing process, since the gloss of a paint finish is not appropriate to this style of dwelling. The trim on the exterior is likewise finished with a nonglossy surface. It is quite common for the trim around windows and doors to be finished darker than the wall surface

surrounding it; provided this wall surface is not so dark that relief is necessary in the opposite direction. It is surprising that even a small amount of dull-surface trim finished quite dark will seem to brighten a large wall surface around it, resulting in an appearance which is pleasing beyond all expectations.

Those people who are only mildly enthusiastic about this rustic wood house are inclined to see too much dull color in its external appearance. There are methods of relieving this effect if it does not suggest the beauties of nature's own building material and is not pleasing in the fullest sense. The easiest of these is in an adjustment of the number, size and arrangement of windows. The interior hangings used on windows may be utilized to add the desired touch of color or white to the view of the exterior, in varying degree as the adjustment of windows just mentioned is developed



Second-Floor Plan.

According to the bulletin issued by the American Red Cross, the American Red Cross boxes containing garments and hospital supplies should not exceed 4 by 2 by 2 feet in size. They should

be made of five-eighths inch tongue and grooved boards, strongly joined at the corners, and should be lined with heavy water-proof paper, which must extend over the top of the contents after the box is filled.

When possible each box should be filled with only one kind of garments or supplies.

Marking of Boxes. Boxes should be marked on top—"American Red Cross Division Supply Depot," with the address to which the box is to be sent. The name and address of shipper, the serial number of the box, and a statement (stenciled on the wood) of the contents of the box should be given. A red cross 4 1/2 inches high and wide, should be painted on each end of the box.

Express companies will accept gifts to the Red Cross, for shipment at two-thirds their regular rate, when prepaid and addressed as above.

Chapters should ship to their division supply depot in one of the following cities:

Boston, Atlanta, Chicago, Seattle, New York, New Orleans, Minneapolis, Philadelphia, St. Louis, Denver, Washington, Cleveland, San Francisco.

An invoice or notice of shipment, giving the serial number of the box, or boxes, sent and duplicate copies of the inventory, should be mailed by all shippers to the chapter or division supply depot to which the shipment is being forwarded.



WHAT CAN WE DO?

In a recent article it was recommended that women who wish to sew for the Red Cross should choose one or two kinds of garments and confine themselves to making them, rather than try to make many different garments. Often women who are willing to give time to sewing or knitting cannot afford to buy all the materials they need. In this case they can arrange to do the work for other women who are willing to buy materials but haven't time for the work. In some places the Red Cross chapters furnish the goods and give out work to volunteers who make up needed garments.

Patterns for garments are all issued in two sizes, medium and large. According to Red Cross instructions, two medium-sized garments should be made to every one of large size, for American hospitals and no large sizes for French hospitals. The patterns are issued according to the requirements of the Red Cross by all the standard pattern companies.

Inventory. Each box of garments should contain, inside the water-proof wrapping, a typewritten inventory of its contents following the name and address of the shipper.

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FANCIES : OF : FASHION

Coats, coat suits and frocks with collars and cuffs of fur or fur-fabrics and emplacements like them on the skirt are among the season's noteworthy and handsome offerings. On separate long coats and on coats with coat suits, the collars and cuffs are attached to the garments, but on frocks to be worn indoors as well as out, the collar and cuffs may be detachable. Collars are nearly always of the convertible variety on all coats.

A handsome coat of tulle wool velours is shown in the picture, finished by them—and their durability means a



COAT WITH EMBLEMMENTS OF FUR-FABRIC.

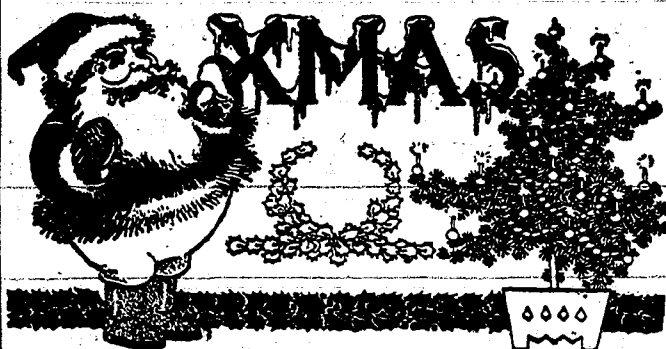
long-time lease on life for such garments.

Entire coats of fur-fabrics are very warm and hardly suited to the milder climates of the South, but scarfs and muffs, or collars and cuffs on fashionable coatings worn with muffs to match them, make an ideal coat for any latitude. In the North a sweater worn under a coat of this kind makes it as warm as a fur coat and the cloth coat trimmed with fur-fabric. At least the equal of an entire coat of the fabric, in elegance and in rich appearance.

These marvelously woven and dyed materials have established themselves as a permanent feature of each new season's production of furbies. When they are made to imitate natural skins the resemblance is so close that it is almost impossible to tell the difference. It takes a "close-up" view and the test-

Afternoon Dresses. One sees much georgette and much chiffon in the new afternoon dresses and these lovely stuffs are draped over soft satins, meteor and Liberty satin being most in favor. Embroideries in silk or beads add richness of trimming, but the frocks themselves are exceedingly simple. Flounces and trills are unknown. In Paris every woman is supposed to get a frock out of four yards of material, but this material she may ornament with as much handwork as she please.

Tweds and Homespuns. Tweds and homespuns stand hard wear amazingly, and in many mixtures show soil very little. This season, too, there are some extremely nice things in homespuns and tweds of somewhat gay coloring. The yellow tones, for example, have been very well handled, and certain imported coats and domestic models made up of imported cloths are of mixtures in which soft gold-yellow tones predominate, so that a little distance the cloth looks like the plain gold-yellow.



In anticipation of this Christmas season we hunted the markets for just such things that would best appeal to Xmas shoppers of Grayling and surrounding country. Every article must contain merit, beauty, usefulness and durability, trash was entirely eliminated. We are only going to mention a few articles in this advertisement, but ask that you come into our store and see the hundreds of fine things for yourself.

Handsone White Ivory Articles
Beautiful Cut Glass in many shapes
Perfumes of Many Odors and Artistically Bottled. Also in Bulk
A nice lot of Perfumizers--Best out Toilet Waters of every kind
Fine Assortment of Fancy Stationery
Thermos Bottles--try the Guaranteed Unbreakable Kind
Lowney's and other Candies--in bulk and Fancy Boxes
Cigars--all the preferred brands. Also Tobacco Cigarettes and Pipes

Central Drug Store

Crawford Avalanche

J. P. Schumann, Editor and Proprietor.

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 One Year.....\$1.50
 Six Months......75
 Three Months......40

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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, DEC. 13



Additional Contributors to Y. M. C. A. Fund.

We here publish an additional list of donors to the recent Y. M. C. A. fund, as submitted by Committeeman Fred Welsh.

Amount previously acknowledged	
Olaf Sorenson & Sons.....	\$1252.26
Len Isenbauer.....	5.00
John Bebb.....	2.00
P. M. Peterson.....	1.00
T. W. Fenton.....	1.00
Louis Larson.....	1.00
Alex Lagrow.....	1.00
Roy Johnson.....	1.00
Jas. Farley.....	1.00
J. B. Rosenstand.....	1.00
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Clayton Tennant.....	1.00
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Adolph Peterson.....	.50
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Frank Dyne.....	.50
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Hazen Geister.....	.50
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Jas. Lepard.....	.50
Glenn Owen.....	.50
Hiram Lepard.....	.50
Willard Sikes.....	.50
John Charlefour.....	.25
Sam Johnson.....	.25
Clarence Feldhauser.....	.25
D. Charron.....	.25
Total.....	\$1262.76
Amount sent in.....	\$1117.14
Amount uncollected.....	169.50
Expenses.....	6.12
Total.....	1292.76

In all there were 218 subscribers, with an average subscription of \$5.93. Should any names of subscribers have been omitted from among those published, it is requested that they notify Fred R. Welsh.

Borchers--Place.

The home of Peter D. Borchers was the scene of a pretty but quiet wedding last Friday evening, when his daughter, Miss Flora, was united in marriage to Mr. Lee Place of Detroit. The home was adorned with roses and carnations for the occasion, and the ceremony was performed by Rev. Aaron Mitchell, at nine o'clock. Mrs. J. L. McPeak of Bay City rendered the wedding march, as the bridal party took their places. The bride wore a traveling dress of brown tulle and chiffon, while Miss Bernadette Tetu, who acted as bridesmaid, wore navy blue tulle trimmed with georgette crepe. The groom was attended by his cousin, Mr. Kenneth Merrill of West Branch. After the ceremony a delicious supper was served by Misses Nina Peterson and Eulah Maxwell. Only relatives and intimate friends were the guests. Those from out-of-town who came to be in attendance were Mrs. J. L. McPeak of Bay City, Mrs. Place mother of the groom and Mrs. Merrill sister of the groom of West Branch.

The happy couple left on the night train for Santiago, California, where they expect to make their home. They were accompanied by Mr. Place's mother on their western trip. Mrs. Place was born in Grayling and has always lived here. For the past four years she has been employed as clerk in the H. Petersen grocery, which position she had filled with much credit. The bride's friends in Grayling extend best wishes to the young couple.

TWENTY YEARS AGO.

Ladies wore bustles.
 Operations were rare.
 Nobody swatted the fly.
 Nobody had seen a silo.
 Nobody wore white shoes.
 Cream was 5 cents a cup.
 Most young men had "lively bills."
 Cantaloupes were muskmelons.
 You never heard of a "tin Lizzie."
 Doctors wanted to see your tongue.
 Milk shake was a favorite drink.
 Advertisers did not tell the truth.
 Nobody cared for the price of gasoline.
 Farmers came to town for their mail.
 The hired girl drew one-fifty a week.
 The butcher "threw in" a chunk of liver.
 Folks listed pneumatic tires were a joke.
 Nobody "listened in" on a telephone.
 There were no sane Fourths, no electric meters.
 Strawstacks were burned instead of mowed.
 Publishing a country newspaper was not a business.
 People thought English sparrows were birds.
 Jules Verne was the only convert of the submarine.
 You stuck tubes in your ears to hear a phonograph and it cost a dime--BX.

Local News

Miss Mae McDermaid of Frederic was a Grayling caller Saturday.

See Geo. L. Alexander & Son before purchasing automobile insurance.

Frank Michelson and O. S. Hawes of Detroit and E. J. Cornwall of Saginaw, attended the stockholders' meetings of the lumber companies here yesterday.

Fifteen million members for the Red Cross is what is wanted. That means that Crawford county should supply 300 more members. If each member will get two new members, we will soon have a banner Chapter. We can do it if each will try and send in two new subscriptions.

Meat Markets Going on Schedule Delivery.

The meat markets of F. H. Milks and Game & Burrows are about to adopt a regular schedule for delivery of orders. This will take effect January 1, and is arranged as follows:

MORNING.
 Delivery will leave the markets for round trips of town at 7:00 a. m. Second delivery will leave at 8:30 a. m. for the north side. South side delivery will leave at 9:30 a. m. and the last trip in the forenoon of the north side will be at 10:30 a. m.

AFTERNOON.
 2:30 o'clock, North side.
 3:30 o'clock, South side.
 4:30 o'clock (last trip) North side.
 No deliveries will be made between these hours. This new arrangement is made in order to save time and expense to the general public. If patrons will endeavor to co-operate with the markets in getting their orders placed in time for delivery, they will find this new arrangement no inconvenience but instead will be a benefit in the cutting down of the cost.

Ice Skating Rink.

I am going to open a first class skating rink on the flat around the green house about the 20th of Dec. from that date tickets will be for sale at the green house at the following prices:
 Season ticket for gentlemen \$3.00, for ladies \$2.00, for children \$1.00.
 Day tickets adults 10 cents; children 5 cents.

John H. Cook.

Notice.

On and after this date we will operate on a strictly cash basis no coal will be delivered except on C. O. D. or cash with order. Prevailing conditions necessitate this action.

City Coal Yard
 Dec. 13-1917. J. M. Bunting, Prop.

Eldorado Nuggets.

Mrs. John Nichols and daughter, Rita, of Lakeview, and son, Roy, of Lansing, returned home after spending Thanksgiving vacation at the home of Mrs. Nichols' mother and brother, Mrs. Margaret and Conrad Welches.

Joint Christmas exercises by the Eldorado and Weber schools will be held at the Eldorado school house Friday evening, Dec. 21st.

Mrs. Mattie Funch returned home Thursday from the DeCoa Sanitarium, Detroit, after undergoing a successful treatment for cancer.

Mrs. Bessie Richardson, who is teaching the Weber school, spent Sunday in Grayling.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hartman are spending the winter with Mrs. Hartman's daughter at Benton Harbor.

News have reached here that Floyd B. Hartman, formerly of this place, is the proud father of a new son.

Letters received from Harry Williams, who is at Camp Custer, indicate that he is happy and enjoying army life.

Frederic News.

Geo. Brown returned to Flint last Monday.

Mrs. H. Seiwel of Gaylord was a Frederic caller Tuesday.

L. A. Gardner is in Detroit on business.

Miss Gladys Cameron spent Monday and Tuesday with her sister Mrs. C. Forbush.

Mrs. Erma Craven, and Miss Mae McDermaid, were in Grayling Saturday.

Mrs. H. Abraham spent Monday evening with her sister in Alba.

Gilbert Cram and Ed. McDermaid, left Wednesday night for Saginaw, where they expect to join the navy.

A number of people from out of town came to attend a dance Tuesday evening there being none. The manager being out of town the dance was postponed until later.

Mrs. McCracken, who is in Ann Arbor hospital, having had an operation was much worse and her husband was sent for. He returned Monday and reports her some better.

Miss Irene Patterson, and Gilbert Cram returned from Koroelock, where they spent Thanksgiving with the latter's parents.

James Tobin and Charles Craven made a business trip to Grayling Monday.

N. Fisher has returned from West Branch, where he has been buying horses.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.
 This is not only one of the best and most efficient medicine for coughs, colds and croup, but is also pleasant and safe to take, which is important when medicine must be given to children. Many mothers have given it their unqualified endorsement, and

SALLING, HANSON CO.

Established 1878

Yuletide Presents

This is the year that you want to make every cent count in purchasing Christmas gifts. Sensible and practical gifts reflect credit upon the giver and will be appreciated by the receiver. This store has everything from a pocket handkerchief to a ladies' complete outfit of wearing apparel or household necessities; and our grocery department is complete from a pound of crackers to a car-load of flour. Same with men's wearing apparel.



EASY TO MAKE SELECTIONS HERE

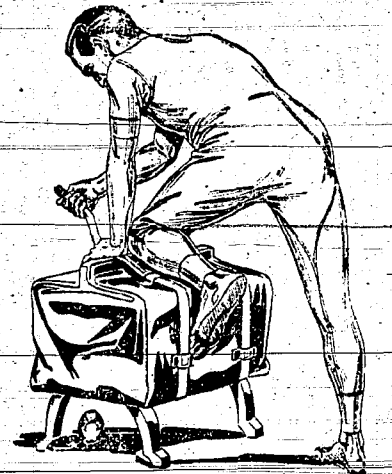
Our big display of useful articles makes buying easy here. You will find everything you may expect to find in the best managed dry goods stores, in good, reliable quantities.

For the Ladies and Gentlemen Stephenson Underwear



Same is true with the ladies. They like good qualities in shoes, dress goods, gloves, etc., and we have just that which is sure to appeal to her.

Soo Line of Wool Goods



GROCERIES FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS DINNER ARE READY FOR YOU

We are ready to do our part to help add a little cheer to your holiday dinners. Come right along and get your groceries. We have stocked up for the occasion and have some Christmas delicacies that will please you.

Salling, Hanson Co.

The Pioneer Store

Mortgage Sale.

Whereas, default having been made in the payment of the money secured by a mortgage dated the twenty-eighth day of August, A. D. 1916, by Cora Stephens of the Village of Grayling, County of Crawford and State of Michigan, Mortgagee unto Holger Hanson and Jane Hanson of the same place, mortgagors which said mortgage was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Crawford county, in Liber G. of Mortgages, on pages 194 and 195, on August 30th at 2 o'clock p. m.

And whereas said mortgage has been duly assigned to Oscar Palmer, by assignment bearing date of the 22nd day of February, A. D. 1917, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for said County of Crawford, February 23d A. D. 1917 in Liber F of Mortgages on page 543, at 3 o'clock p. m., and the same is now owned by him.

And whereas the amount claimed to be due on said mortgage at the date of this notice is Ten hundred and fifty nine dollars and ten cents principal and interest and the further sum of twenty-five dollars as an attorney's fee stipulated for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceedings having been instituted at law or in chancery to recover the debt now remaining unpaid, secured by said mortgage wherefore the undersigned said mortgagee has become operative.

Now therefore, notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale in said mortgage, and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises there described at public auction to the highest bidder there for at the front door of the court house in the village of Grayling, Michigan (that being the place of holding the circuit court for said county) on the ninth day of March, A. D. 1918 at 10:00 o'clock of said day, which said premises are described in said mortgage as the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section five (5) in town twenty six (26) north of range two (2) west containing sixty (60) acres of land, saving two (2) acres more or less heretofore deeded to Daniel Moshier of the same place in Crawford County Michigan.

Dated December 11th 1917
 Oscar Palmer
 Assignee of mortgage.

Attorney for Assignee.
 Business Address: Grayling Mich.
 12-13-17

GERMAN SALAD DRESSING.
 1 C cream (sweet or sour); 1 T vinegar; 1 1/2 t salt; 1 1/4 t paprika.
 Whip the cream until it is stiff. Add the other ingredients slowly.

MEAT LOAF.

Riced or mashed potatoes may be substituted for part or all of the bread crumbs generally used in a meat loaf.

NOTE--In all of these recipes all measurements are level, and 7 equals table-spoon, 1 equals teaspoon, C equals cup, g equals few grains, t equals few drops.

WANTS

Advertisements will be accepted under this heading at the rate of 5 cents per line. No ad. taken for less than 15 cents. There are about six words to the line. SEND MONEY WITH THE ORDER.

FOR SALE--Three year old sorrel horse; weight 1250 pounds. Inquire of Mrs. John Hanna, Beaver Creek. 12-13-17

FOUND--Parcel containing a quantity of gingham, Thursday, Dec. 6. Owner may have same by calling at Avalanche office. 12-13-17

WANTED--Desirable place for girl of nine years to board and go to school, from Sundays to Saturday nights. Write or phone Geo. Brown, Military Reservation.

WOOD FOR SALE--Dry Jack-Pine, Phone 1 long, 1 short, and 1 long. Ralph Hanna, Beaver Creek. P. O. Grayling. 12-13-17

FOR RENT--A desirable furnished room. Furnace heat. All modern conveniences. Reasonable. Mrs. H. L. Fitch. Phone 1242. 10-6-17

FOR SALE--A piece of land on T. Town road adjoining M. C. R. R. tracks approx 28 acres. I will sell this at a real bargain to close out my interests in this vicinity. Address J. W. Overton, R. F. D. No. 1 Flint Mich. 12-13-17

TWO ROOMS--To rent, partly furnished. Mrs. O. Corwin.

FOR RENT--One warm room comfortable room for rent. Inquire of Geo. Bennett. Phone 843.

STRAYED--A black yearling bull with straight horns with a notch on the left ear. Please notify Louis Delaire, Frederic Mich. 11-29-17

NICE CLEAN cotton wiping rags wanted at the Avalanche office. Will pay 5 cents per pound.

THE HUMAN NOTE IN INDUSTRY

Will Be Most Strongly Accentuated in Coming Years, Says Edison.

"Problems in human engineering," predicts Thomas A. Edison, the electrical wizard, "will receive during the coming years the same genius and attention which the same genius gave to the more material forms of engineering."

"We have laid good foundations for industrial prosperity. Now we want to assure the happiness and growth of the workers through vocational education and vocational guidance and wisely managed employment departments. A great field for industrial experimentation and statesmanship is opening up."--Industrial Conservation, New York.

FOR QUICK RESULTS USE OUR WANT COLUMN--The Cost Is Small.

NEW DELIVERY SCHEDULE

To save time and expense it becomes necessary to schedule a time for delivering, as follows:

Round trip starts.....7:00 o'clock a. m.
 North Side.....8:30
 South Side.....9:30
 North Side, last trip 10:30

AFTERNOON AS FOLLOWS:

North Side.....2:30 o'clock p. m.
 South Side.....3:30
 North Side, last trip 4:30

No deliveries made between these hours

To take effect January 1, 1918.

GAME & BURROWS

Fresh, Salt and Smoked Meats

Phone 126

Grayling, Mich.

STATE OF MICHIGAN
 EXECUTIVE OFFICE
 LANSING

PROCLAMATION

By The Governor of Michigan.

To the People of Michigan:--

It is a privilege to call your attention to the Christmas Membership Campaign inaugurated by the Red Cross.

We are all familiar with the splendid work of this wonderful organization, and it is therefore not needful at this time to dwell at length upon it. Whether through relief extended to the victims of calamity or disaster, or to the sufferers from the horrors of war in the devastated countries of Europe, or to the dependent loved ones of soldiers who have gone forth to fight for our country, or to our boys in training camps both here and overseas and in the trenches at the front, its merciful ministrations are everywhere manifest.

Its appeal is universal and comes to each one of us, it matters not what our race, creed or condition. It was a happy thought that suggested the idea of combining the spirit of the Red Cross with that of Christmas. Both involve service and sacrifice, helpfulness and humanity. Let us make this a Red Cross Christmas.

There are five million members of the Red Cross in our country. It needs fifteen million to carry on its work. Michigan has a proud place in Red Cross activities having five hundred thousand members. We should have at least three-quarters of a million, and eventually a million members.

Therefore, I, Albert E. Sleeper, Governor of Michigan, hereby set aside the period from December sixteenth to December twenty-fourth, inclusive, for the purposes of the Red Cross Christmas membership Campaign, and call upon all our people to lend their assistance thereto by becoming members or renewing their memberships and by enrolling others in the organization.

I wish also to call special attention to the Red Cross Christmas Ceremony on the evening before Christmas. It is to be held between the hours of seven-thirty o'clock and nine o'clock thereof, Red Cross Christmas Candles will burn in the windows, that the bells in the churches may chime the half hours, and that Christmas Carols may be sung in the streets and public places throughout the state,--the whole a fitting close of the Christmas Membership Campaign and appropriate to the Christmas time; and

I request the Mayors of all incorporated cities in Michigan to make like proclamations to their people.

Given under my hand at Lansing, Michigan, this tenth day of December, nineteen hundred seventeen.

Albert E. Sleeper
 Governor of Michigan.

CRAWFORD COUNTY RED CROSS NOTES

Don't forget to remember a soldier at Christmas time. The Red Cross will supply every American soldier and sailor with a Christmas package, and our local chapter contributed to this purpose. But much more than a gift from the Red Cross will the boys appreciate remembrances from friends at home.

Addresses of Crawford county boys at hand:

Carl G. Johnson, U. S. S. President Grant, New York City; Corp. H. Hemmingson, Co. B, 125th U. S. Inf., Leo Jorgenson, Bat. F, 119th U. S. F. A., Shirlaw Dyer, Bat. F, 119th U. S. F. A., Camp MacArthur, Waco, Texas. Pri. Clyde Hum, Watertown Arsenal, Watertown, Mass., Det. Enlisted Ordnance Corps National Army, Ransom Burgess, Barrack 43, Reg. 337, Arthur McIntyre, Co. I, 337th Inf., Dan C. Babbitt, Co. G, 337th Inf., Camp Custer, Battle Creek, Mich.

Should you know the addresses of others please send them at once to the Avalanche office, and let inquiries be made here.

Crawford county is asked to knit 50 helmets at once and exceed that number if possible. Why not send a greeting instead of a gift to many people this year and so have more time, money and energy for the Red Cross and for charities?

We did not reach our quota of 100 sets by Dec. 1st. Partly because we started late, partly because all did not knit who might have done so. If everyone would do their bit, how easily a big work might be accomplished. The following knitted articles have been shipped:

Wristlets, 114 pairs.
Socks, 132 pairs.
Sweaters, 75.
Scarfs, 76.
Helmets, 38.
Trench caps, 3.
Wash cloths, 1.

Mrs. Fischer 88 years of age has knit 21 pairs of socks.

A nicely made scarf has handed in by Marion Reynolds 8 years old of Frederic.

Ella Hanson 7 years old is still our youngest knitter.

A gainst campaign will be launched Dec. 17 to close Dec. 25 to increase the membership of the A. R. C. to fifteen million numbers. Crawford county is asked for three hundred more members.

Classes of membership:
Annual—\$1.00
Magazine—\$2.00
Contributing—\$5.00
Sustaining—\$10.00
Life—\$50.00
Patron—\$100.00

Send in this application with your fee to Mrs. Olaf Michelson, secretary, or pay your money to the Bank of Grayling or the Bank of Frederic and receive your receipt and button.

A Red Cross service flag will be given to every family which has one member with small crosses added for each additional member. Secure these any day next week at the Red Cross rooms in Grayling from 2—4:30 p. m. or from the Bank of Frederic.

Place a light behind them on Christmas eve. The flag is on this paper to insure the effective showing of the great Red Cross of mercy and relief.

Coffee and sandwiches will be served at the chapter headquarters over Saling Hanson's store Saturday afternoon Dec. 15th. Mrs. M. Hanson is chairman of committee on arrangements. At the same time a sale of aprons and small articles suitable for gifts will be held by the Girls' Garmment club who have been working for the Red Cross under the supervision of Miss Martin. All are invited. Proceeds of lunch and sale go to the Red Cross fund.

A Red Cross Christmas

The War Council of the American Red Cross has conceived that a great National purpose will be served by having membership in the Red Cross almost as universal as citizenship.

Although pledged as a Nation to the National purpose during this great crisis, it will be granted to a large percentage of us to play a part in the fighting branches of our country's service.

All of us, however, can be identified with the Red Cross, which in these times when whole Nations are organized for warfare, is big enough and strong enough to carry some of the burden for our soldiers, our sailors and our Allies.

We want a Red Cross of fifteen million members. We want the strength and support that will grow from this army of members.

We have set Christmas time to attain this goal, because we believe that the Red Cross and Christmas spring from the same spirit, and we wish to bring together these two great symbols of mercy, sacrifice and cheer.

On this, our first Christmas in the war, we want the Red Cross symbol to add not a spirit of dejection but the thought of serious purpose and sacrifice which through accomplishment it represents.

We hope that from this Christmas campaign of 1917 will grow a permanent custom which will increase the significance of both Christmas and the Red Cross.

GRAYLING BOY IS PREPARING FOR FRANCE.

With Ordnance Corps at Watertown Arsenal.

Watertown Arsenal, Dec. 6 1917.

Dear Mr. Schumann:— I have seen letters in the Avalanche from the boys in the service from the north, south, and west and I thought a letter from the east would make it complete.

We are getting settled down to army life now, this is our fourth week of instructions and the hardest thing to get use to is getting up at 5:30 a. m. and do the art of washing our own clothes. I am sure none of us would get rich washing, judging from the appearance of the washing turned out.

We are in some new barracks and find them very comfortable but I find the ice cold showers do not tempt many. Every man in our barracks is a college man and here for instruction in Ordnance work. They are from Dartmouth, Penn., and Columbia and Penn-State and right now U. of M. outnumber them all. The syncopated quartette and mandolin players of ours are making our end very popular; so much so the colored cooks are around listening to the music.

The people are very fine to us out here. Thanksgiving day there were more invitations than men in our detachment, to clubs, private homes, churches etc. Fifteen of us were invited to Blue Hill country club and they sure did treat us royally. Every time we go to church we never get back to dinner. Someone of the congregation takes us home with them. May seem funny to say but I believe the people are more patriotic out here than in the middle west, not for the above reasons stated but because they have been awakened longer, I believe.

We had "exams" last Saturday on some of the courses we have been studying and as usual there are a lot of wild tales going around as to what each man was recommended for. We all expect commissions eventually but not right away. Our school of instruction, that is classes for our particular section, end Dec. 11th and what is to be done with us then no one knows. Possibly Christmas may find us on the water. The last bunch out here went directly across.

May be well to make a few statements in regard to Ordnance work. To our notions it is the best end of the service. It deals with the fighting equipment of the army, namely guns, (large and small) grenades, high explosives, etc. They are training us for the administrative end of this branch and the care and storing of this equipment, also the accountability of the same. We find it very interesting work, especially when men that are teaching us are men that know what they are talking about. Capt. Stanton is a West Pointer and teaches high explosives, and ten lieutenants are old army men and have the work down cold. Consequently they require the same from us.

The government is doing construction work on every acquirable piece of ground here and putting up large steel buildings, working night and day. The main thing made in this arsenal are big gun carriages for the coast defense guns and armor and deck piercing projectiles. The shops are running night and day turning out war orders. I never knew they made shells as large as some of them that are around here.

If we don't have to study we are free every night, Saturday afternoon and Sunday giving us plenty of time to visit all the old historic places around here.

A letter from anybody at home will be greatly appreciated I assure you, and tell all the old friends to write.

Sincerely Yours,
Clyde Hum,
Watertown Arsenal,
Det. Enlisted Ordnance Corps No. A,
Watertown, Mass.

NINE RULES TO CONSERVE FATS

1. Eat just enough fat to supply bodily needs. Thirty per cent of the total food value of the ration is sufficient. A greater amount not only wastes fats but interferes with proper digestion.

2. Leave no fat on the plate. This means fats from meats as well as butter.

3. Serve foods in which little or no fat is used in their preparation. Eliminate rich cakes and pastries whenever possible.

4. Omit fried foods.

5. Use the drippings from roasts, sausage, bacon, and boiled meats and seasonings.

7. Keep all kinds of bacon and salt pork. Use as seasonings when cooking cabbage, greens, vegetables, soups, etc.

8. Save all trimmings from beef, pork, mutton and fowl. Render and use in cooking.

9. Keep a small jar for bits of fats, drippings, or gristles. When a sufficient amount has been collected, render the contents.

ATTENTION READERS!

Through the committee on Public Information, the government is issuing very instructive historic literature on all phases of the war. Already several booklets have been issued and with possibly one or two exceptions all the information can be secured free upon application. Send your name to the Committee on Public Information, Washington, D. C., and ask that your name be put on the mailing list for all public matter issued by the committee.

CAMP CUSTER NO PLAY HOUSE.

Dan C. Babbitt Tells of Times in Camp.

Camp Custer, Dec. 9, 1917.

To the people of Grayling:— Today being Sunday, I shall dedicate a little of my time in writing a few lines to the Avalanche.

I hope those who asked me to write will consider this a letter to them. This isn't a play house down here, and one cannot write just whenever he sees fit, but must wait until time will permit. We are supposed to have Sunday off. Today we were detained in our quarters until two o'clock this afternoon awaiting to have clothes issued to us. I have some clothes but not enough to make a real soldierly aspect tho. I have the following articles: underwear, socks, shoes (two pairs) field and dress. They insist on giving them to you plenty large: leggings, hat, gloves and overcoat. The latter I welcomed most of all. It has been very cold down here for the past two days.

Last night at 11:30 o'clock we were routed out of bed by the call of fire—"everybody outside." When I got out I could see the reflection of the fire. It was about a mile away but on the windward side. I was frightened for a few minutes, after standing and shivering as hard as I could, the captain decided to return us to our barracks. The fire was soon under control fortunately. I was told today that the occupants of the barracks, that burned lost everything; the fire originated from an over heated stove. Some of the barracks are heated by stoves; mine is not, I'm glad to say.

I have been quite miserable all week from the effects of the vaccination and inoculation, however I am much improved at this time.

Before going further, I wish to thank the Red Cross and W. R. C. ladies for the useful gifts they presented me on my departure; they have proved to be useful many times already. For the benefit of Mr. Fred Welsh I wish to say, the French and English book is fine, and I have been trying to learn from it.

I like the work here when I'm well; but when one feels sick it is tough to have to get out and work. No one can be excused from service unless he is sick enough to go to the hospital. I went one day—got pills no matter where you have pains or aches, you get pills. One fellow went over because he had toothache; they gave him pills. Another went over on account of inflamed lungs; he got pills also. "No more for mine."

I have had some trench digging, kitchen policing and room orderly work along with drilling. The food is pretty good; we have meat two and three times a day, vegetables, fruit, and occasionally a cake (plain), or some fritters, pudding, jelly and syrup and "oleo" once every few days.

The Y. M. C. As. are fine. They give free movies and it affords a place for general amusement, music, etc.

It is nearly time for retreat; that means I'll have to walk back to my barracks. I will welcome a letter from any one who cares to write.

Dan C. Babbitt,
Co. G, 337 Inf.,
Camp Custer,
Battle Creek, Mich.

A German Girl's Letter.

This is not exactly humor—and yet it is humor of a touching and exasperating type. It is the German type of unconscious grandiloquence.

This remarkable letter was published in the Edinburgh Scotsman and was later printed in the Congressional Record at request of Senator Robinson.

Fraukfort-on-Ober, July 20, 1916.

My Dear Louise:— The contents of your last letter would hurt me had I not known that your thoughts of our glorious war resulted from sheer ignorance.

You are in a country rendered effeminate by the influence of old-fashioned ideas of liberty, a country which is at least two centuries behind ours. You are in need of a good dose of Prussian culture.

It is evident that you, a Swiss girl, with your French sympathies, cannot understand how my heart, the heart of a young German girl, passionately desired this. Speaking of it some years ago, my father said to us: "Children, Germany is getting too small for us; we shall have to go to France again in order to find more room." Is it our fault if France will not understand that more money and land are necessary for us?

And you reproach us that our soldiers have been very cruel to the Belgian rabble, and you speak also of the destruction of Rheims, and of the burning of villages and towns. Well, that is war. As in every other undertaking, we are past masters in the making of war.

You have a great deal to learn before you can come up to our standard, and I can assure you that what has been done so far is a mere bagatelle compared with what will follow.

As a matter of fact, there is but one race worthy of ruling the world, and which has already attained the highest of civilization. That race is ours, the Prussians; for though we Germans in general are the lords of the world, the Prussian is undoubtedly the lord par excellence among the Germans.

All other nations, and among them, unfortunately, the Swiss, are degenerate and of inferior worth. That is why I have always been so proud of being a true Prussian.

Yesterday, again, our pastor explained to us convincingly that our first parents, Adam and Eve, were also Prussian. That is quite easy to under-



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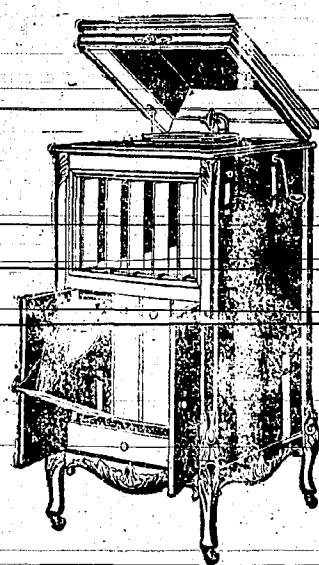
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- 5—A flower is an infant, a color, and part of the anatomy? (Baby-blue-eyes.)
- 6—A flower which is the emblem of purity? (Lily.)
- 7—A flower found in a pasture? (Cowslip.)
- 8—A cereal and the compartments of a house? (Mushroom.)
- 9—A bird which is a portion and the top of a hill? (Partridge.)
- 10—An animal which is the meat from a hog, a personal pronoun, and a

tree? (Porcupine.)
11—The tree that is the schoolmaster's favorite? (Birch.)
12—A tree which grows near the ocean? (Beech.)
13—A tree which languishes? (Pine.)
14—A bird which is a domestic animal? (Catbird.)
15—A number of relatives of a certain sex? (Ants.)

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Men Who Will Exert Best Efforts to Help Win War.

It would be impossible to overestimate the importance of labor in its relation to the war, and the necessity for every workman to give his best of efforts in order not to handicap the government in its work of carrying the war to a successful termination.

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JUDGE LANDIS' SON AWAKENS EUROPE

Reprinted From Chicago Tribune of December 4.

Floyd Gibbons, "The Tribune's" staff correspondent at the front in France, has addressed a letter to Federal Judge Landis. The letter was written after Mr. Gibbons had received a letter from Reed Landis, the jurist's son. The letter is in the nature of a word to all Americans. It follows:

PARIS, FRANCE, Nov. 20. To Judge Keneaw Mountain Landis, Chicago, U. S. A.:

Dear Judge Landis: I received a letter some time ago from your son Reed, who is training in a United States flying school in England. He is forging ahead with great success and hopes to become proficient and be among the first to get into the air grips with the Germans. He has that wonderful American spirit which old Europe is coming into contact with for the first time.

Old Europe is surprised and feels inclined to look back into her history books and figure out just what it was she lost when those early pioneers left her shores and carried ambition's burning lights to the new world. Old England is just beginning to realize that it was her best blood and brains and spirit that left her so many years ago and went out to find fortune in the young, untested west.

Spirit Inspires Weary Europe.
I am writing this to you because you, as the proud father of a patriotic, fighting son, will understand how this American fighting spirit is beginning to size up the world situation as it becomes closer and closer in touch with it each day. These young fighting Americans, who also think have been landing on these shores in some small and some big parties ever since June. I have watched them land from the first.

Their great optimism and enthusiasm have been inspiring to poor old weary Europe. Her head has been aching with an awful pain for over three years now, and the appearance of these fresh youngsters with clear heads, eyes and brains, and strong arms and hearts, has done great things toward bucking everybody up and making prospects look brighter.

Thoughts Serious Now.

But now I see these young Americans, and old ones, too, for that matter, after they have been here long enough to get a grasp on the situation and with only few exceptions, their more mature observations are not quite so rosy as their first ones. They appreciate France's wonderful fighting and wonderful sacrifices; they have learned to respect the great military machine that Britain has put into the field after three years' effort; they know that our entry into the war has strengthened the allied cause all around with a clarification of the financial situation and a straightening out of the matter of supplies. But, frankly, these thinking Americans are far from satisfied with the way things are going. Remember, though, that there is not a single knicker among them, not a quitter in the lot, and none who would even want to risk the danger of interfering with the present conduct of affairs by even so much as criticizing them.

But they feel that almost nothing has been done yet as compared with what they see has yet to be done if the war is going to be pushed to a successful conclusion. These youngsters aren't talking so much about making the world safe for democracy now—they are really and seriously interested in making the United States safe to live in, because these men over here have some idea of what living in the United States is going to mean if Germany wins the war.

Will We Beat Germany?
It sounds almost treasonable from a patriotic standpoint to write any sentence that would include the phrase, "If Germany wins the war." Everybody has been thinking for a long time that Germany was licked, or that she was just about to be licked or that she is going to be licked somehow, sometime, if the allies just

get together and do it. To thousands of Americans a favorable outcome has been based simply on a question of time. "How long do you think it is going to take us to lick Germany?" has been the oft repeated question. But now, Judge Landis, I want you to know that there are a number of these thinking Americans over here who are beginning to ask the question in a more simplified form, namely, "Are we going to lick Germany?"

Here is the way present day world matters look to some analysts of the situation: Russia is "kaput," and from all appearances it looks like she is going to stay put. Italy has been reduced to a position where her further existence as a belligerent depends upon what support she can receive from the allies. Any support that France and England give to Italy just weakens the western front that much. When the Italian invasion stops, the Germans and Austrians will entrench as they did in northern France three years ago and with this digging in system they will hang on to what they have in a way they have learned to do quite successfully in the three years they have been doing it.

Germany Moves Millions.

Russia's collapse means that Germany and Austria can release some 150 fighting divisions from the eastern front. Reducing the Italian front to a small sector, deeply entrenched, the central allies will be able to withdraw probably another fifty divisions that they have used on that front for invasion purposes. There are approximately 200 divisions of 10,000 men each. That amounts to over 2,000,000 men. This represents 2,000,000 men more that can be thrown on the western front. Now, then, if Germany, without those 2,000,000 men, has been able to hold France and England on the western front, what will Germany be able to do when she gets this additional 2,000,000 men on the line?

Where are the allies going to get men to oppose this additional weight? This is not German propaganda I am presenting; this is simply an analysis that I am making, so that far seeing Americans may better realize the greater effort that has to be made to save the United States from the unspeakable—namely: to save us from being beaten in this war.

America Needs Alarming.

This view of the present conditions in Europe is alarming, and, in my opinion, it ought to be alarming. It is necessary that America be alarmed. America is doing more than the allies expected she could do in the time she had to do it. She has done more than she herself expected she could do in that time. But one might take all that America has done to date, multiply it by ten, and then add some, and then he will be getting somewhere closer to the idea of how much there is yet to be done to save America and the world from defeat and reduction before the most ruthless military organization the world has ever seen. England had to sound the alarm to awaken herself. It is now time for it to sound under the windows of American homes. The fact is that the Hun is at the gate, and now it is, the American gate, our gate.

Maybe from this distance we are inclined to be poor judges of the great national effort being put forth back home. Over here, in our talks with one another, we try to discount that feeling by giving credit for all that is being done, but after paying due recognition to present efforts we only arrive at one conclusion, and that is that, whatever is being done, if it remains insufficient, it leaves the country with the following alternatives:

Do more, or suffer defeat.

Merit, Not Seniority, Needed.

Our fighting men at the front should not be made to worry about the connivings of political jealousy and political bickering back home that might at any time return them in disgrace. Seniority is a good means of advancement in peace time, but there are other methods more practical on the battlefield.

Every time there is a shipping board controversy, every time there is a tieup of production on account of

differences between labor and capital, or between labor and the government or between capital and the government, there is just that much loss of time and effort, and just that much detraction from the real big effort that must be made. America is not going to win the war simply because America has come into the war. America has got to really and truly appreciate what the war is before she can demand the exertion of America's greatest, winning effort. Anything short of positively her greatest effort is going to mean defeat.

U. S. Needs a Shock.

Only this week Lloyd George, in a speech delivered in Paris, sounded the same warning. Only this week the French prime minister put in public words his private fears as to what the reinforced Germans with

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Every Registered Man Not Now in Military Service in New Questionnaire.

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ARTHUR T. T. T.

Those Wind Storms Here in Texas.

You people of Michigan town.

It's little that you know

About the winds in Texas;

For here they sure do blow.

And when this wind starts blowing,

It blows in double time;

The sand goes flying by in clouds,

And nearly makes us blind.

While we are on the drill grounds

It sometimes starts to blow,

And then we get command, "Squads right."

We can't see where to go.

At night the sand flies pass our tent,

And flies in through the door,

And when we cover in the morning

There's an inch upon our floor.

It comes in through the corners

And it comes through the top,

And when it once starts coming

It never seems to stop.

Our weekly wash is on the line,

As clear as it can be;

But when the wind starts blowing,

They are a sight to see.

Our clothes go flying down our street,

And when we get them back,

It is hard to tell the difference

From the white ones and the black.

We like the city of Waco,

And Camp Mac Arthur, too,

But the sands and winds they get our goat—

We'll all admit they do.

Now when we cross the water

To fight on foreign land,

I hope we do our fighting

Where there is less wind and sand.

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A camera is a necessary article in every home. It is a history recorder that is reliable and accurate. Buy at least one camera for the home this Xmas.

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Local News

GRAYLING, THURSDAY, DEC. 13

Get your tires and tubes at Burke's garage.

Mrs. Olaf N. Michelson is visiting friends in Detroit.

Do your Xmas shopping at Hathaway's. Why not?

Mrs. Kolla Hull spent a few days in West Branch returning Monday.

J. C. Foreman was in Bay City on business the latter part of the week.

Mrs. T. Hanson is in Detroit taking a course in surgical dressings for Red Cross work.

Mr. and Mrs. Newell Underhill arrived last Saturday from Lovells to spend the winter.

The best Xmas present to give is a pair of Hathaway's GLASSES. Good for years of service.

If you are not a member of the Red Cross—join next week. Help us reach the 15,000,000 mark.

Mrs. Charles Amidon returned home Monday from a visit with her son, Ray and family at Flint.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Petersen returned Monday from a short visit with their children who reside in Detroit.

Dr. S. E. Hooper, a prominent physician of West Branch died very suddenly at his home Friday of last week.

Mrs. C. B. Johnson has been visiting her daughter, Miss Mollie Johnson in Saginaw. She returned home Monday.

Basket ball Friday night at High school gymnasium. All City vs High School. Come out and see a hot game. Dance after the game.

St. Mary's Altar society will meet at the home of Mrs. Trudeau Thursday Dec. 20th. Mrs. Schram and Mrs. Goodrow will entertain.

Miss Anna Boeson left Wednesday of last week for Muncie, Indiana, where she has accepted a position as an assistant in an Art store.

We need 300 more Red Cross members. A little hustle on the part of the members will easily do the trick. Here is our chance to do our "bit".

A few new Columbia records would make an excellent present. All the latest in stock. Come and hear them played.

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Word has been received of the birth of a baby son, Leslie Marion, to Mr. and Mrs. George Willis of Auburn, Indiana. Mrs. Willis was before her marriage, Marguerite Chamberlain of this city.

Miss Johanna Jensen left yesterday afternoon on a visit to Milford, Mich. She was accompanied by her brother, William, who after a few days' visit will go on to Detroit to remain for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy G. Pringle left Saturday night to spend Sunday with the former's mother in Bay City. The former returned home Monday, but Mrs. Pringle went on to Detroit to be gone a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Crowley left Monday for an extended visit to New York City, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Charleston, S. C. and other cities. They intend to be away about three weeks.

Mrs. L. H. Chamberlain returned Monday from a week's visit with her daughter, Mrs. Judson Bradley and family at Flint. Her granddaughter, little Helen Bradley accompanied her home for a short visit.

"Paddy" O'Reagon, well known about town but now a member of the National army from Grayling, writes that he has been transferred to the Aviation corps and left Tuesday of this week for San Antonio, Texas.

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Harry Pond entertained about ten of his gentlemen friends Tuesday night for venison dinner. It was a very delicious full course dinner, and greatly enjoyed by everyone present. It was the general opinion that the venison, which was from a deer he shot himself, was the finest ever tasted, partly due, no doubt, to the way it was prepared.

Miss Jesse Failing daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Failing, and Mr. Carl Babbitt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest R. Babbitt, who reside down the river, were quietly united in marriage at the Mr. E. parsonage by Rev. Mitchell Tuesday afternoon. Miss Johanna Jensen and Mr. Tracy Nelson were witnesses of the ceremony. The young couple have the well wishes of many friends.

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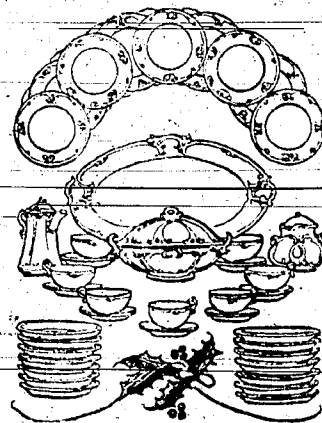
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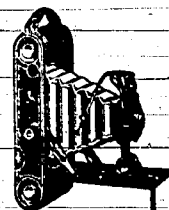
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Bingism—And Its Cure

Proves a Thriller for Penrod and Sam While It Lasts

By BOOTH TARKINGTON

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Penrod Schofield, having been "kept in" for the unjust period of twenty minutes after school, emerged to a deserted street. That is, the street was deserted so far as Penrod was concerned. Here and there people were to be seen upon the sidewalks, but they were adults, and they and the shade trees had about the same quality of significance in Penrod's consciousness. Usually he saw grown people in the mass, which is to say, they were virtually invisible to him, though exceptions must be taken in favor of policemen, firemen, street-car conductors, motorcars and all other men in any sort of uniform or regalia. But this afternoon none of these met the roving eye, and Penrod set out upon his homeward way, wholly dependent upon his own resources.

To one of Penrod's inner textures, a mere unadorned look from one point to another was intolerable, and he had not gone a block without noticing some slight remedy for the timidity of life. An electric-light pole at the corner, invested with powers of observation, might have been surprised to find itself suddenly emitting a note of dubious honor in improvised melodrama. Penrod, approaching, gave the pole a look of sharp suspicion, then one of conviction; slipped it lightly and contemptuously with his open hand; passed on a few paces, but turned abruptly and, pointing his right forefinger, uttered the symbolic word, "Bing!"

The plot was somewhat indefinite, yet nothing was more certain than that the electric-light pole had first attracted his attention. He stood, looking at it, and then, with a suddenness that was growing bitter when he slipped, and stealing across him to take him treacherously in the back, had got itself shot through, and through by one too old in such warfare to be caught off his guard.

Leaving the body to lie where it was, he placed the smoking pistol in a holster at his saddlebow—he had decided that he was mounted—and proceeded up the street. At intervals he indulged himself in such encounters, refusing to let first suspicion of ambush with a muttered, "Whoo, Charlie!" or "Whoo, Mike!" or even "Whoo, Washington!" for preoccupation with the enemy outweighed attention to the details of theatrical consistency, though the steady, varying names were at least humorously masculine, since a boy, in these creative moments, never rides a mare. And having brought Charlie or Mike or Washington to a standstill, Penrod would draw the air weapon from his holster and—"Bing! Bing! Bing!"—let them have it.

Every childhood is not fastidious about the accessories of its drama—a cane is vividly a gun which may instantly, as vividly, become a horse; but at Penrod's time of life the faith sword is no longer satisfactory. Indeed, he now had a vague sense that weapons of wood were unworthy to the point of being contemptible and ridiculous, and he employed them only when he was alone and unseen. For months a yearling had grown more and more poignant in his vitals, and this yearning was symbolized by one of his most profound secrets. In the inner pockets of his jacket he carried a bit of wood whittled into the distant likeness of a pistol, but not even Sam Williams had seen it. The wooden pistol never knew the light of day, save when Penrod was in solitude; and yet it never left his side except at night, when it was placed under his pillow. Still, it did not satisfy; it was but the token of his yearning and his dream. With all his might and main Penrod longed for one thing beyond all others. He wanted a Real Pistol!

He passed from the sidewalk into his own yard, with a subdued "Bing!" inflicted upon the stolid person of a gatepost, and, entering the house through the kitchen, came to him for a time. However, driven back from the fore part of the house by a dismal sound of cutlery, he returned to the kitchen and sat down.

"Della," he said to the cook, "do you know what I'd do if you was a crook and I had my automatic with me?" Della was industrious and preoccupied. "If I was a crook!" she repeated, ignorantly, and with no cordiality. "Well, I am a crook. I'm a crook!" Right now. Either when in the house where y'long, or get out in the yard!" Penrod chose the latter, and betook himself slowly to the back fence, where he was greeted by a boisterous manner by his faithful little old dog, Duke, returning from some affair of his own down in the alley.

"Get down!" said Penrod coldly, and bestowed a spiritless "Bing!" upon him.

At this moment a shout was heard from the alley, "Yay, Penrod!" and the sandy head of comrad Sam Williams appeared above the fence.

"Come on over," said Penrod, as Sam obediently climbed the fence, the little old dog, Duke, moved slowly away, but presently, glancing over his shoulder and seeing the two boys standing together, he broke into a trot and disappeared round a corner of the house. He was a dog of long and enlightening experience; and he made it clear that the conjunction of Penrod and Sam portended events which, from his point of view, might be unfortunate. Duke had a forgiving disposition, but he also possessed a melancholy wisdom. In the company of either Penrod or Sam, alone, affection often caused him to linger, albeit with a little pessimism, but when he saw them together, he invariably withdrew in an unobtrusive manner as haste would allow.

"What you doing?" Sam asked.

"Nothing. What you?"

"I'll show you if you'll come over to our house," said Sam, who was wearing an important and secretive expression.

"What for?" Penrod showed little in-

terest.

"Well, I said I'd show you if you came on over, didn't I?"

"But you haven't got anything I haven't got," said Penrod indifferently. "I know everything that's in your yard and in your stable, and there isn't a thing—"

"I didn't say it was in the yard or in the stable, did I?"

"Well, there ain't anything in your house," returned Penrod frankly. "That I'd walk two feet to look at—not a thing!"

"Oh, no," Sam assumed mockery. "Oh, no, you wouldn't! You know what it is, don't you? Yes, you do!"

Penrod's curiosity stirred somewhat. "Well, all right," he said, "I got nothing to do. I just as soon go. What is it?"

"You wait and see," said Sam, as they climbed the fence. "I got your air-weapon open pretty far in about a minute or so!"

"I bet they don't. It takes a good deal to get me excited, unless it's something mighty!"

"You'll see!" Sam promised.

He opened an alley gate and stepped into his own yard in a manner signaling caution—though the exploit, thus far, certainly required none—and Penrod began to be impressed and hopeful. They entered the house, silently, encountering no one, and Sam led the way upstairs, tiptoeing, implying unusual and increasing peril. Turning in the upper hall, they went into Sam's father's bedroom, and Sam closed the door with a caution so genuine that it nearly Penrod's eyes began to fulfill his host's prediction. Adventures in another boy's house are trying to the

imagination, and Sam's father's bed-room, when invaded, has a violated sanctity that is almost appalling. Penrod felt that something was about to happen—something much more important than he had anticipated.

Sam slipped across the room to a chest of drawers, and, kneeling, carefully pulled out the lowest drawer until the surface of its contents—Mr. Williams' winter underwear lay exposed. Then he fumbled beneath the garments and drew forth a large object, displaying it triumphantly to the satisfactorily dumfounded Penrod.

It was a blue-steel Colt's revolver, of the heaviest pattern made in the seventies. Mr. Williams had inherited it from Sam's grandfather (a small man, a demon, a despot) and it was larger and more horrible than any revolver either of the boys had ever seen in any picture, moving or stationary. Moreover, it was a revolver of great size, as was to be seen in the chambers of the cylinder, suggesting massacre rather than mere murder. This revolver was real and it was loaded!

Both boys lived breathlessly through a magnificent moment.

"Leave me have it!" gasped Penrod. "Leave me have hold of it!"

"You wait a minute!" Sam protested, advancing. "I want that revolver. It's my father's revolver, ain't it?"

"Well, wait a minute, can't you? I got a right to show you the way I do, first, haven't I?" Penrod began an improvised dissertation. "Say I'm comin' along after dark like this—look, Sam!—and you try to make a jump at me—"

"I won't," Sam declined this role impatiently. "I guess it ain't your father's revolver, is it?"

"Well, it may be your father's but it ain't yours," Penrod argued, becoming logical. "I ain't either of us a revolver, so I got as much right as—"

"You haven't either. It's my father's—"

"Watch, can't you—just a minute!" Penrod urged vehemently. "I'm not goin' to keep it, am I? You can have it when I get through. Can't you? Here's how I do: I'm comin' along after dark, just walkin' along this way—like this—look, Sam!"

Penrod, sulking the action to the word, walked to the other end of the room, swinging the revolver at his side with affected carelessness.

"I'm just walkin' along like this, and first I don't see you," continued the actor. "Then I kind of get a notion something wrong's liable to happen, so I—"

"No, that isn't it. You wouldn't notice that I had my good old revolver with me. You wouldn't think I had one, because it'd be under my coat like this, and you wouldn't see it." Penrod stuck the muzzle of the pistol into the waistband of his knickerbockers at the left side and, buttoning his jacket, sustained the weapon in concealment by pressure of his elbow. "So you think I haven't got any; you think I'm just a man comin' along, and so you—"

Sam advanced. "Well, you've had your turn," he said. "Now, it's mine. I'm goin' to show you how I do—"

"Watch me, can't you?" Penrod walked. "I haven't showed you how I do, have I? My goodness! Can't you watch me a minute?"

"I have been! You said yourself it'd be my turn soon as you—"

"My goodness! Let me have a chance, can't you?" Penrod retreated to the wall, turning his right side toward Sam and keeping the revolver still protected under his coat. "I got to have my turn first, haven't I?"

"Well, yours is over long ago."

"It isn't either!"

"Any way," said Sam decidedly, clutching him by the right shoulder and endeavoring to reach his left side

"Any way, I'm goin' to have it now." "You said I could have my turn out!" Penrod, carried away by indignation, raised his voice. "I did not!" Sam, likewise lost to caution, asserted his denial loudly. "You did, too!" "You said—"

"I never said anything!" "You said—Quit that!"

"Boys!" Mrs. Williams, Sam's mother, opened the door of the room and stood upon the threshold, the scuffling of Sam and Penrod ceased instantly, and they stood hushed and stricken, while fear fell upon them.

"Boys, you weren't quarreling, were you?"

"Ma'am!" said Sam.

"Were you quarreling with Penrod?"

"No, ma'am," answered Sam in a small voice.

"It sounded like it. What was the matter?"

Both boys returned her curious glance with meekness. They were sunning their faculties—which were needed. Indeed, these are the only difficulties of his later life. Penrod, with the huge weapon beneath his jacket, insecurely supported by an elbow and by a waistband which he instantly began to distrust, experienced distressful sensations similar to those of the owner of too heavily insured property carrying a gasoline can under his overcoat and detained for conversation by a policeman. And if in the coming years, it was to be Penrod's lot to find himself in that precise situation, no doubt he would be the better prepared for it on account of this present afternoon's experience under the

scolding eye of Mrs. Williams. It should be added that Mrs. Williams' eye was awful to the imagination only. It was a gentle eye and, but mildly curious, having no remote suspicion of the dreadful truth, for Sam had backed upon the chest of drawers and closed the drawers open only with the calmness of his legs.

Sam, not hearing the fatal evidence upon his person, was in a better state than Penrod, though when boys fall into the stillness now assumed by these two, it should be understood that they are suffering. Penrod, in fact, was the prey to apprehension so keen that the actual pit of his stomach was cold.

Being the actual custodian of the

revolver, he understood that his case was several degrees more serious than that of Sam, who, in the event of detection, would be convicted as only an accessory. It was a lesson, and Penrod accordingly repeated his confession in not allowing Sam to show how he did first.

"You're sure you weren't quarreling, Sam?" said Mrs. Williams.

"No, ma'am; we were just talking."

Still she seemed dimly uneasy, and her eye swung to Penrod.

"What were you and Sam talking about, Penrod?"

"Ma'am!"

"What were you talking about?"

Penrod gulped invisibly.

"Well," he murmured, "it wasn't much. Different things."

"What things?"

"Oh, just something. Different things."

"I'm glad you weren't quarreling," said Mrs. Williams, reassured by this reply, which though somewhat baffling, was thoroughly familiar to her ear. "Now, if you'll come downstairs, I'll give you each one cookie and no more, so your appetites won't be spoiled for your dinner."

She stood evidently expecting them to precede her. To linger might renew vague suspicion, causing it to become more definite; and hence preserve them from moment to moment, not of attempting to secure the future, consequently, the apprehensive Sam and the unfortunate Penrod (with the monstrous implement bulking against his ribs) walked out of the room and down the stairs, their countenances indicating an interior condition of solemnity. And a curious shade of behavior might have here interested a criminologist. Penrod endeavored to keep as close to Sam as possible, like a lonely person seeking company, while, on the other hand, Sam kept moving away from Penrod, seeming to desire an appearance of aloofness.

"Go into the library, boys," said Mrs. Williams, as the three reached the foot of the stairs. "I'll bring you your cookies. Papa's in there."

Under her eye the two entered the library, to find Mr. Williams reading his evening paper. He looked up pleasantly, but it seemed to Penrod that he had an ominous and penetrating expression.

"What have you been up to, you boys?" inquired this enemy.

"Nothing," said Sam. "Different things."

"What like?"

"Oh—just different things."

Mr. Williams nodded; then his glance rested casually upon Penrod.

"What's the matter with your arm, Penrod?"

Penrod became paler, and Sam withdrew from him almost conspicuously.

"Sir?"

"I said, What's the matter with your arm?"

"Which one?" Penrod quavered.

"Your left. You seem to be holding it in an unnatural position. Have you hurt it?"

Penrod swallowed. "Yes, sir. A boy bit me—I mean a dog—a dog bit me."

Mr. Williams murmured sympathetically: "That's too bad! Where did he bite you?"

"On the—right on the elbow."

"Good gracious! Perhaps you ought to have it cauterized."

"Sir?"

"Did you have a doctor look at it?"

"No, sir. My mother put some stuff from the drug store on it."

"Oh, I see. Probably it's all right, then."

"Yes, sir," Penrod drew breath more freely, and accepted the warm cookie Mrs. Williams brought him. He ate it without relish.

"Was it your own dog that bit you?"

"Sir? No, sir. It wasn't Duke."

"Penrod!" Mrs. Williams exclaimed. "When did it happen?"

"I don't remember just when," he answered feebly. "I guess it was day before yesterday."

"Gracious! How did it—"

"He—he just came up and bit me."

"Why, that's terrible! It might be dangerous for other children," said Mrs. Williams, with a solicitous glance at Sam. "Don't you know whom he belongs to?"

"No'm. It was just a dog."

"You poor boy! Your mother must have been dreadfully frightened when you came home and she saw—"

She was interrupted by the entrance of a middle-aged colored woman. "Miz Williams," she began, and then, as she caught sight of Penrod, she addressed him directly. "You'm telephoned if you here, send you home right away, 'cause they waitin' dinner on you."

"Run along, then," said Mrs. Williams, putting the visitor lightly upon his shoulder, and she accompanied him to the front door. "Tell your mother

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Sam, with a desperate expression, lifted the revolver at arm's length. Both boys turned away their heads, but Penrod put his fingers in his ears—and nothing happened. "What's the matter?" he demanded. "Why don't you go on if you're goin' to?"

Sam lowered his arm. "I guess I didn't have her cocked," he said apologetically, whereupon Penrod loudly roared.

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A pause followed.

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Penrod, after waiting in keen suspense, turned to behold his friend standing with his right arm above his head, his left hand over his left ear, and both eyes closed.

"I can't pull the trigger," said Sam indistinctly, his face convulsed as in sympathy with the great muscular efforts of other parts of his body. "She won't pull!"

"She won't!" Penrod remarked with scorn. "I'll bet I could pull her."

Sam promptly opened his eyes and handed the weapon to Penrod.

"All right," he said, with surprising and unusual mildness. "You try her, then."

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"Well, why don't you see if I will? I bet you're afraid yourself!"

"Oh, I am, am I?" said Penrod, in a reckless voice, and his finger touched the trigger. It seemed to him that his finger no more than touched it; perhaps he had been reassured by Sam's assertion that the trigger was difficult. His intentions must remain in doubt, and probably Penrod himself was not certain of them; but one thing comes to the surface as entirely definite—that the trigger was not so hard to pull as Sam said it was.

chamber, with Sam clamoring for possession, it had seemed to Penrod that nothing in the world was so desirable as to have that revolver in his own hands—it was his dream come true. But, for reasons not definitely known to him, the charm had departed; he turned the cylinder gingerly, almost with distaste, and slowly there stole over him a feeling that there was something repellent and threatening in the heavy blue steel.

Thus does the long-dreaded real misbehavior—not only for Penrod! More out of a sense of duty to bingism in general than for any other reason, he pointed the revolver at the lawn-mower, and gloomily murmured, "Bing!"

Simultaneously, a low and cautious voice sounded from the yard outside, "Yay, Penrod!" and Sam Williams darkened the doorway, his eye falling instantly upon the weapon in his friend's hand. Sam seemed relieved to see it.

"You didn't get caught with it, did you?" he said hastily.

Penrod shook his head, rising.

"I guess not. I guess I got some brains around me," he added, inspired by Sam's presence to assume a slight swagger. "They'd have to get up pretty early to find any good old revolver, once I got my hands on it!"

"I guess we can keep it, all right," Sam said confidentially. "Because this morning papa was putting on his winter underclothes and he found it wasn't there, and they looked all over and everywhere, and he was pretty mad, and said he knew it was those cheap plumbers stole it that mamma got instead of the regular plumbers he always used to have, and he said there wasn't any chance ever gettin' it back, because you couldn't tell which one took it, and they'd all swear it wasn't them. So it looks like we could keep it for our revolver, Penrod, don't it? I'll give you half of it."

Penrod affected some enthusiasm. "Sam, we'll keep it out here in the stable."

"Yes, and we'll go huntin' with it. We'll do lots of things with it!" But Sam made no effort to take it, and neither boy seemed to feel yesterday's necessity to show the other how he did. "Wait till next month of July," Sam continued. "Oh, all! Look out! This invited a genuine spark from Penrod."

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ABSENCE of Iron in the Blood is the reason for many colorless faces but

Hezekiah's Progress.

Speaking at a dinner, Senator Porter J. McCumber of North Dakota referred to the progress of the farmer, and something recalled this little story.

Uncle Josh was on his way to town one afternoon, and chancing to see his friend Abner working in an adjacent field, he paused for a small chat over the barbed wire fence. Incidentally inquiry was made after Abner's eldest son, Hezekiah.

"Hezekiah is in the city now," answered Abner, with some show of pride. "He's there most a year."

"Yes, I know that," returned Uncle Josh. "What I was wondering was which side he was on."

"Which side he was on," queried Abner, with a puzzled expression. "I don't just quite get it."

"Which I mean, Abner," explained Uncle Josh, "is Hezekiah buyin' gold bricks yet, or has he started in to sell 'em?"

Family Pride.

"My dear, in writing to our boy in the army, remember that your letter will be read by the censor," said Mr. Dubwaite.

"Oh, bother!" exclaimed Mrs. Dubwaite. "Then I'll have to look up the dictionary. I'm not going to have any strange man seeing what a poor speller I am."

If you ever get acquainted with yourself the chances are that you won't find your company as very agreeable.

Some people say they do as they please, but do they?

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The roofs, although really domed, are not infrequently afterward leveled up so as to make them quite flat, or sloping slightly to one corner to throw off the rain more easily. They are put to an infinite variety of uses; thus, in a village built on the side of a particularly steep valley, where it was almost impossible to find a flat space, I have seen a house-top used as a threshing floor. Where the house is not built against the hillside, faggots of brushwood, used by the women for firewood, are often piled up on the roof for safety. During the dry season I have seen goats and sheep folded there at night, and in the hot, sultry nights of summer the whole family will frequently sleep on the house-top. In the case of a number of rooms built onto each other for a family of sons, the roofs will join, though sometimes at different levels. In some cases these roofs are reached from the streets by an outside staircase.

She Likes It.

"Are you fond of cheese?"

"Yes, especially that 'emmental' cheese we are hearing so much about lately."

When the Man is Wise.

Wise is the man who knows himself thoroughly and doesn't try to find out things about his neighbor.

Six Minute Pudding

Here's a new one—a most delicious dessert that can be made in a hurry.

To one and one-half cups of milk add one cup of

Grape-Nuts

and one level tablespoonful of sugar, boil six minutes, cool and serve with milk or cream. Add raisins if desired.

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"One way to find out who likes you and who doesn't," remarked Miss Cuyenne, "is to turn to play the violin."

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The KITCHEN CABINET

There is no higher wisdom than to lose yourself in useful industry and be kind.

Patience is a virtue, but don't lose sight of the fact that there are others.

CASSEROLE DISHES.

It is possible to have just as tempting and dainty food cooked in a ten-cent crock with a cover as it is to serve it in a ten-dollar casserole. The secret of casserole cooking is in the long, slow cooking under cover, keeping in all of the flavor. Tough meats are especially adapted to casserole cooking. The law of compensation comes to our aid, for tough meats always yield delicious gravy. The tougher the meat the more glory to the cook if she makes it appetizing and palatable. The variations on casserole dishes are only limited by the supplies in the larder.

A steak may be smothered in onions in a casserole or with mushrooms. All meat has the same first treatment, seasoning, rolling in flour and browning in hot fat. Have the casserole hot, add two cupfuls of canned tomato, half an onion, a slice of carrot and turnip, two stalks of chopped celery, a sprig of parsley and half a teaspoonful of mixed spices. The meat for this is beef. Pour a cupful of water in the spider after the meat has browned, add a teaspoonful of kitchen bouquet and pour it over the meat and vegetables in the casserole. Cover tightly and set in a hot oven. As soon as the meat begins to cook reduce the heat and let it cook very slowly for two or three hours for three pounds of meat. If you wish to add potatoes to this dish add them boiled until tender 15 minutes before it is to be served.

Casserole soup is delicious, with ground pepper and onion for flavor. Mutton is also excellent cooked with peas and a little onion. Chicken with mushrooms and a few ripe olives for a garnish when serving is at its best in this dish. A tough duck, squirrel or rabbit may be made into a most tasty dish by casserole cooking.

Kidneys, beef hearts, calves' hearts, sweetbreads, liver—in fact, any kind of meat, fish or fowl can be cooked acceptably in the casserole.

The correct cuts of meat—neck, chuck and rump with vegetables, to enrich the gravy, all make most delicious eating when cooked in a casserole.

The woman of moderate means, who markets in person with a basket on her arm, often gets better goods for less money than her wealthy sister who trusts to servants or the telephone and takes what the merchant chooses to send to her. In blissful ignorance of food values or food quality.—Mrs. Richards.

EAT LESS FOOD.

There are few people who would not feel better, look better and live longer if they stopped eating before they are quite satisfied. The pernicious habit of eating after one's stomach is "satisfied" is the cause of many of the diseases of the flesh. Nitrogenous foods leave a process of putrefaction which is peculiar to that food, other kinds of foods ferment but such food as meat, fish, eggs, cheese, and such protein vegetables as peas and beans decompose and the by-products formed are more or less poisonous to human beings.

The difference between fermentation and putrefaction is shown in the digestion. Vegetable foods may ferment and cause irritation but with animal food the irritation may be in the form of poisons which are taken up by the blood stream just as is the food, these poisons cause auto-intoxication. The vast majority of people who suffer in this way, suffer because of over-eating. An earnest meal once or twice a week, would be not inappropriate to follow a weightless day.

Fletcher, the dietician, in his wonderful books on living has discovered that the simple art of mastication, which is a much slighted if not a lost one, is the secret of good health. Our laziness in these stirring times, may teach us the value of lessening our food supply. The over-eating individual who denies herself candy and sweets because of her patriotism will be rewarded in the happy results to herself. This will be true in cutting out one-seventh of our meat, one-sixth of our fat, and one-fourth each of sugar and white flour. This sacrifice will not only help her physically but its influence must be felt in other ways. The individual who cannot say "no" for his stomach's sake will not stand very firm on higher demands.

There is one important thing that all mothers of growing children should consider, that they should not be so strict as to food, for they need it for the daily activities and to promote growth.

The people who never make mistakes lead a most uneventful existence.

POULTRY IS NOT TABOO.

As poultry cannot be shipped as food to our allies we are expected to use it in place of such foods as beef, mutton, and pork. We will be most happy to have chicken offered, if we are able to pay the price.

We are all familiar with chicken stew with dumplings, roast stuffed fowl and fried chicken, so it is not necessary to dwell upon these, favorite dishes; but we may like to vary our chicken dinner and the following may prove suggestive:

Curried Chicken.—Joint a fowl neatly, fry it a light brown color in three tablespoonfuls of its own fat or any sweet drippings, lift out the pieces of chicken and fry one minced onion, add two tablespoonfuls of curry powder, three of chopped onion, one teaspoonful of sugar, one teaspoonful of salt, one of chili, a cupful of rich milk and a half cupful of water, then the pieces of chicken. Cook very slowly until the chicken is tender, then add a tablespoonful of lemon juice. Serve with a dish of boiled rice.

Chicken Terebinth.—Take half a pound of cold cooked fowl, one cupful of whipped cream, half a cupful of stiff aspic jelly, three tablespoonfuls of chopped cooked ham, one tablespoonful of chopped parsley, salt, pepper and red pepper to taste. Whip the cream to a stiff froth, add the fowl and ham finely chopped, also the parsley and seasonings. Melt the aspic jelly and mix and beat until it begins to set. Pour the mixture into china or paper cases, put on ice for 20 minutes and serve sprinkled with pistachio nuts.

Chicken Mold.—From an uncooked fowl remove all the meat, free it from skin and gristle and pass it through the chopper twice. Put half a cupful of bread crumbs in a saucepan, add a cupful of milk and heat over the fire, stirring to a paste. Take from the fire and gradually beat in the chicken paste, then add a teaspoonful of salt, pepper, paprika, a tablespoonful of chopped parsley and the well-beaten yolks of three eggs. Fold in the stiffly beaten whites. Turn into a well-buttered mold and steam it in hot water, and bake in a moderate oven 30 to 40 minutes. Turn out when ready and serve with white sauce.

Nellie Maxwell

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At the Hairdresser's.

"Is this the Black Barber shop?"

"Yes, ma'am."

"I want you to cut my little boy's hair."

"Yes, ma'am. Just let me set him in this chair, ma'am."

"Now, I don't want you to use the clippers on him, or those large scissors or single cut off, either."

"Well, ma'am, excuse me, but shall I bite it off?"

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When your back aches, and your bladder and kidneys seem to be disordered, go to your nearest drug store and get a bottle of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root. It is a physician's prescription for ailments of the kidneys and bladder.

It has stood the test of years and has a reputation for quickly and effectively giving results in thousands of cases.

This preparation so very effective, has been placed on sale everywhere. Get a bottle, medium or large size, at your nearest druggist.

However, if you wish first to test this preparation send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample bottle. When writing be sure and mention this paper.—Adv.

A Waste of Pity.

Mrs. Green (at her first game of football)—Oh, isn't it awful? Horrible! Why they will kill that poor fellow underneath.

Her daughter (outraged)—Don't be silly, mother. He doesn't mind it. He's unconscious by this time.

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A PROGRAM FOR THE RED CROSS CHRISTMAS CAMPAIGN IN MICHIGAN

Program For Christmas Membership Campaign

The following program is being adopted in substance by many Michigan Chapters:

Monday, December 17.—Opening of Campaign.
 Tuesday, December 18.—Fraternal Day. Participation by fraternal bodies. Raising of Red Cross flag, to be displayed throughout the campaign.
 Wednesday, December 19.—Women's Day, on which special tribute will be paid to the work which women are doing in the Red Cross. Meetings of local women's organizations. Special exercises.
 Thursday, December 20.—School Day, on which teachers in the schools will speak on the significance of the Red Cross and upon the significance of the Christmas ceremony.
 Friday, December 21.—Employees' Day, on which special recognition will be paid to the support which the laboring man is giving to the Red Cross. Factory speeches, etc.
 Saturday, December 22.—Boy Scouts' Day, on which Boy Scouts will be organized for canvass for membership.
 Sunday, December 23.—Church Day, on which Christmas sermons on the Red Cross will be preached in the churches.
 Monday, December 24.—Red Cross Christmas Ceremony Day. At 7:30 on Christmas Eve, candles will be placed behind Red Cross Service Flags in every home. Workers will sing carols in the streets and church bells will chime.

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CHRISTMAS EVE CEREMONY

An idea that will undoubtedly prove to be one of the most striking features of the Red Cross Christmas membership campaign is the display from every home and place of business of the Red Cross emblem, indicating by stars or otherwise that one or more members are there enrolled.

On Christmas Eve at 7:30 o'clock lighted candles will be placed in the window behind or near the emblem, and the church bells will chime every half hour until nine o'clock.

As an effective means of lending beauty and significance to the ceremony, Red Cross workers will be organized into groups to proceed through each neighborhood singing Christmas carols.

The participation by each town, city or village in Michigan in this Christmas Eve ceremony will be a fitting close to the greatest membership campaign in the history of the Red Cross.

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To the owner or owners of any and all interests in or liens upon the land herein described:

Take notice that sale has been lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes thereon, and that the undersigned has title thereto under tax deed or deeds issued therefor, and that you are entitled to a reconveyance thereof at any time within six months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the undersigned or to the Register in Chancery of the County in which the lands lie, of all sums paid upon such purchase, together with one hundred per cent additional thereto, and the fees of the sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice, to be computed as upon personal service of a declaration as commencement of suit, and the further sum of five dollars for each description without other additional cost or charges. If payment as aforesaid is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

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Frederic Hamel, Defendant.
 Suit pending in the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, In Chancery, on the 1st day of November, A. D. 1917, at the Village of Grayling, in the said County of Crawford.

It is satisfactorily appearing to the court by affidavit on file that a chancery summons has been duly issued out of and under the seal of said court, for the appearance of said defendant therein, and that the same could not be served on said defendant because that after diligent search and inquiry it could not be ascertained in what state of country the said defendant resides, or the whereabouts of said defendant learned, and that said chancery summons has been returned by the sheriff of said county with his certificate thereon endorsed that after diligent search and inquiry he was unable to find the said defendant within the state of Michigan on or before the return day of said summons, on motion of James H. Ross, attorney for said plaintiff, IT IS ORDERED, That said defendant, Frederick Hamel, cause his appearance to be entered in this cause within three months after the date of this order, and in case of his appearance that he cause his answer to the plaintiff's bill of complaint to be filed, and a copy thereof served upon the plaintiff's attorney, within twenty days after service on him of a copy of said bill and notice of this order, and that in default thereof said bill be taken as confessed by said defendant.

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And on like motion, it is further ordered, that the said plaintiff cause a copy of this order to be mailed to said defendant, at his last known postoffice address, by registered mail, and a return receipt demanded, at least twenty days before the date herein prescribed for his appearance.

James B. Ross, Circuit Judge.
 Attorney for Plaintiff.
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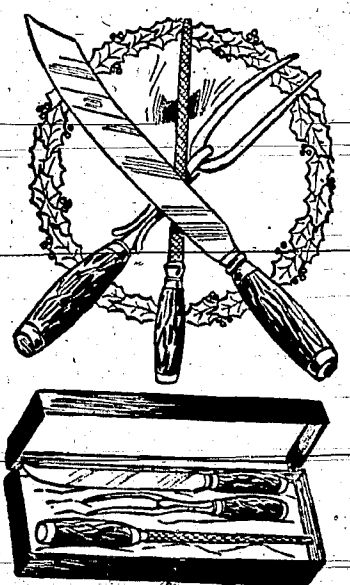
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Council Proceedings.

A regular meeting of the Common Council of the Village of Grayling, held at the Town hall Monday evening December 3, 1917. Meeting called to order by T. W. Hanson, president. Trustees present: Canfield, McCullough, Milks, and Roberts. Absent: Jorgensen and Lewis. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Finance committee report read, to-wit:

To the president and members of the Common Council of the village of Grayling: Your committee on finance, claims and accounts respectfully recommend that the accompanying bills be allowed as follows:

1. Grayling Electric Co., Oct. service, \$125.85
2. Salling, Hanson Co. supplies, 3.00
3. O. P. Schumann, Printing, 11.00
4. Julius Nelson, payroll ending Nov. 10th, 52.01
5. Julius Nelson, payroll ending Nov. 17th, 44.75
6. Schram & Nelson, supplies, 2.50
7. Julius Nelson, payroll ending Nov. 30th, 12.32
8. Drs. Insley & Keyport, Geo. Hanson Case, 3.00
9. C. C. Fehr, Fire report Nov. 8th, 9.50

Respectfully submitted,
 F. H. Milks, Committee.
 Al Roberts, Committee.

Moved by Canfield and supported by McCullough—that the Finance committee's report be accepted and orders be drawn on the treasurer for the amounts. Motion carried.

Moved by Milks and supported by Roberts that we adjourn. Motion carried.

T. P. Peterson,
 Village Clerk.

How Prevent Croup.

In a child that is subject attacks of croup, the first indication of the disease is hoarseness. Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the child becomes hoarse and the attack may be warded off and all danger and anxiety avoided.

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